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BIRTHS.

GREER—December 7, 1922, at Benmore, Tivoli-ter., N., Kingstown, the wife of Captain R. D. Greer, of a son.

McCAUGHEY—December 2, 1922, to J. T. and Jessie McCaughey, 27 Rathfarnham Park, a daughter.

PAPWORTH—November 14, 1922, at Jhansi, India, to Captain F. C. Papworth, M.C., and Mrs. Papworth, a daughter.

PASLEY—December 2, 1922, at Ardath, Hannaville Park, Terenure, to Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Pasley, a daughter.

TRENCH—December 5, 1922, at Ashfield, Ballybrittas, Queen's Co., to Mr. and Mrs. Trench, a daughter (stillborn).

MARRIAGES.

BOND and CABLE—December 6, 1922, at Teston, Maidstone, by the Rev. F. L. Schreiber, Walter D. L. Bond, of Newtown Bond, Longford, to Edith Emma, daughter of the late William Cable, of Teston, Maidstone, Kent.

STOKES and ROPER—September 27, 1922, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, New Westminster, B.C., Canada, by Rev. Canon D'Easum, E. A. Carden, eldest son of I. J. Stokes, Inspector National Schools, Limerick, to Grace Dorothy, daughter of William A. Roper, Modbury, Devon.

WHITEHEAD and RIALL—December 6, 1922, at Christ Church, Bray, Co. Wicklow, by the Rev. Canon Scott, assisted by the Rev. R. P. Meredith (cousin of the bride), Alan Whitehead, to Elisabeth Rose Riall, youngest daughter of Captain Lewis Riall, D.L., Old Conna Hill, Bray.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this Column will be found on Page 6.

BECKWITH—December 8, 1922, at her residence, 2 Northbrook rd., Dublin, Florence Genevieve, widow of Thomas Beckwith, Advocate, Douglas, Isle of Man, and daughter of the late William Claxton, The Grove, Liverpool. Funeral private.

CARDWELL—December 7, 1922, at her residence, Beatty Park, Celbridge, as the result of an accident, Annie, youngest daughter of Leonard Cardwell, aged 18 years. R.I.P. Funeral tomorrow (Sunday), 10th inst., to Donacomper, at 3 p.m.

COLE—November 30, 1922, Annie, widow of Richard Cole, late of Ballintaskin, Co. Carlow. Interred in family burial ground, Mount Jerome.

CROSBIE—November 18, 1922, at the Fitzwilliam Home, Major Charles Howard Herries-Crosbie, eldest son of John Crosbie, late of Kipp, Dumfriesshire, late Cameron Highlanders, and Resident Magistrate for Donegal and Wexford.

DOWNS—December 8, 1922, Albert Henry, darling child of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Downs, 12 Susanville rd., Rathfarnham. "With Christ, which is far better." Funeral private.

FINNY—December 8, 1922, at Erith Lodge, Sandymount, Doctor John Magee Finny, aged 81. Funeral, Monday. Service, 9.15, Christ Church, Leeson Park. Burial Mount Jerome. No flowers.

GLENNY—December 7, 1922, suddenly, Rev. Robert Edmund Glenny, Warrenpoint. Funeral arrangements later.

HALPENNY—December 6, 1922, at his residence, Tirkeenan, Monaghan, Dr. Michael Halpenny. Fortified by the rites of Holy Church. R.I.P. Solemn Requiem Mass in St. Macartan's Cathedral, Monaghan, this (Saturday) morning, December 9, at 10.30 o'clock. Funeral afterwards, by motor, to Ardee, arriving 2 p.m.

LONG—December 6, 1922, at his residence, Kingstown, Samuel Long, beloved husband of A. E. Long. Deeply regretted. Funeral private.

QUIGLY—December 7, 1922, at 7 Hollybrook rd., Clontarf, John Quigly, C.E. (late B.P. Works, Dublin), aged 71. Deeply regretted. Funeral (private) to Clontarf Graveyard.

SCALLY—December 7, 1922, at her residence, Lewinstown House, Killucan, Brigid, widow of the late James Scally. R.I.P. Requiem Mass at Raharney Chapel, at 11 o'clock, this day (Saturday). Funeral to-day from Chapel for Scarden at 3 o'clock.

STUDDERT—December 2, 1922, at 21 Herbert place, Dublin, Martha Florence, dearly-loved wife of Stewart C. Studdert, and eldest daughter of the late John T. Jessop, formerly of Mount Jessop, Co. Longford. Funeral, 10 o'clock, Monday morning, for Mount Jerome.

SYMONS—December 5, 1922, at Montreal, Canada, after a long illness, George Alfred, eldest son of the Rev. E. Symons, Aclare, Co. Sligo. "Having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better."

VALENTINE—December 7, 1922, at his sister's residence, Winterstown, Kilcullen, James Valentine, aged 79 years. Funeral to-day (Saturday), at 2 o'clock sharp for Carnalway.

WILSON—December 8, 1922, Jane, beloved wife of Charles W. Wilson, 50 Heytesbury st., Dublin. Funeral private.

IMPORTANT.—As announcements for this column, if posted on Saturday, cannot reach this office in time for Monday's paper, they should be sent by telegram.

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EXPERIENCED Groom General seeks situation; knowledge motors; married R.C.—J. Kelly, Robinstown P.O., Meath. 6 F

GROOM, long experience, hunters, mares, and foals, breaking young horses, and health of same; light weight.—Corcoran, Athboy, Meath.

HOTEL and Restaurant Officials and Servants Wanted and seeking employment will be found under special heading following Situations Vacant.

LADY wishes highly recommended as Companion; understands invalids. Address "Z 1901, Companion," this office. 7 F

LADY, middle age, wants Companion to or Housekeep. for elderly lady, attend Invalid Lady; salary no object.—D 1777, this office. 7 F

NO salary—Lady Will, Superintend Men, teach all work, care invalid, dairy, fowl; highest references.—D 1559, this office. 6 F

NO Salary—A Protestant Lady will help another; references.—3351, Irish Times Branch Office, Bagot st. Bridge.

OWN Typewriter—Shorthand Typist desires Work; take dictation or manuscript.—D 1896, this office. 8 A

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PROTESTANT Lady seeks post as Help or Housekeeper, small kept.—834, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot st. Bridge.

R.I.C. Pensioner, age 56, desires employment, any position of trust; experience of R.I.C. accounting; sober, steady, reliable.—Box L.L., c/o Lonergan and Co., N.C. road. 6 C

SHORTHAND Typist, certified, experienced, desires change; good references; salary moderate.—Box B 3101, Kenny's Irish Advertising Headquarters, Dublin.

SUPERIOR young Widow seeks post Useful Help, 3; small family; plain cooking, housework; early riser; highly recommended.—H 10, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown.

SHORTHAND Typist, certified, experienced, desires change; good references; salary moderate.—Box B3101, Kenny's Irish Advertising Headquarters, Dublin.

YOUNG, long nursing experience, five daily; assist household duties, etc.; excellent references.—D 1862, this office.

YOUNG Lady desires position, Useful Help, Protestant; age 23 years; can be well recommended; suburbs. D 1752, this office.

YOUNG Lady wants post as Housekeeper after Christmas; good reference.—D 1858, this office.

MEDICAL.

A QUALIFIED Dental Surgeon has Vacancy for a Pupil.—D 1673, this office.

CHEMIST'S Assistant Wanted, having a good knowledge of dispensing. Reply, giving references, to Fielding's Pharmacy, Cork. 8 C

CHEMIST'S Assistant, 4½ years' experience, wishing C to take small business; vacancy considered; suburbs; disengaged first week new year; excellent references. Address "Z 1998, Chemist," this office. 8 C

DENTAL Chair, suit hospital, for sale cheap; apply D 1750, this office. 6 A

EXPERIENCED Assistant wishes vacancy; photography, veterinary, etc.; highest testimonials. Address "Z 1995, Assistant," this office. 8 C

FOR Sale, a Lock-up Pharmacy in country town; no opposition; wants developing; suitable for beginner. Address "Z 1947, Pharmacy," this office. 6 A

INVALID Attendant Wanted; kindly, cheerful person essential, some housework; Protestant; country.—A 44, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 8 A

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MR. Dentist, it will pay you to write for our Price List for Mechanical Work; complete uppers or lowers, £4½ carriage paid; 9/-, exclusive of tooth.—D 1628, this office.

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DRAPERY—Young Lady open to engagement.—D 1767, this office. 8 A

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YOUNG Lady, 17-20, with knowledge of shorthand, typewriting, required by Wholesale Provision Firm, Dublin; must be intelligent and good worker. Apply, giving references, and stating salary required, to "Z 1950, Housekeeper," this office. 8 A

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A USEFUL Help or Lady Help Wanted, Protestant family two, Palmerston road; all duties; good pay; state salary, experience; no nonsense.—D 1757, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines.

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How eagerly are the money boxes emptied with a view to a wonderful visit to Toyland, as represented by the shops—a happy hunting ground, indeed, where realistic animals of every kind are to be found.

A real live jungle may be seen in the heart of Dublin, where the King of Beasts ceaselessly lashes his tail in the approved style of such ferocious animals. His head turns slowly, and occasionally he emits a loud roar; the eyes, lighting up with flashing fires, will certainly inspire thrills in the bravest child.

Whistling birds, in cages, create such a musical chatter one imagines Spring has wandered in too soon. The ever-favourite Teddy bear is here again, larger and more important looking than ever.

Black cats seem to predominate in domestic toys. They are everywhere—as calendars, as mascots, as playthings. They seem to have bristled out into marvellous tails this year. Some seem to be all tail and no cat—for example, the one in the foreground of the sketch.

Yet the calendar cat standing near seems to have lost his altogether. Novelties in the form of milk-carts may be had by those with a long enough purse—a beautiful horse between the shafts, a Teddy bear driver, and shining milk cans complete an ambitious outfit.

A lovely white goat on wheels is another delightful novelty. The tiniest hands may pull down his head and be rewarded with a lovely growly roar for their pains.

Clockwork lions, tigers, bears, horses; every kind of engine, train, and aeroplanes toys requiring constructive ingenuity on the part of their owners—encouraging the inventive instinct.

Sporting toys, such as bicycles, tricycles, and scooters. The world of dolls! These are only a few of the vast selection.

Crackers must not be forgotten. This year sees more varieties than ever, packed up in every novel way imaginable—wheelbarrows, baskets, fanciful pie dishes, fools' caps, all gaily decorated.

The snow Teddy bear in the sketch, all sparkling and white, surrounded by his bevy of golden crackers, will surely be very popular as the finishing touch to a party tea-table. The dainty frosted box, with spray of berried holly, is a very pleasing way of presenting a gift of bon-bons or candied fruits.

The gay little lady, calendar under arm, with her flowing cape of bright cerise and smart Parisian hat, is *chic* enough to enter any society.

Novelties innumerable! Toys in abundance! And over all the spirit of Father Christmas hovers with kindly thought and generous store.

B. M.

EMBROIDERED VEILS.

The embroidered veil is more popular as a drapery for the hat than for covering the face. Many matrons of middle-age, however, are devotees of the embroidered face veil, and for the more unwary of them it is likely to prove a sartorial disaster. Only a few days ago a middle-aged lady sat opposite me in a 'bus with a face-veil whose embroidery covered her upper lip and part of her chin. From a distance it looked like a moustache.

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NURSERY SHELVES.

Shelves are indispensable in a nursery, and with a cretonne curtain drawn across them they prove far more practical than a cupboard. When a small person goes to a cupboard for his toys he almost invariably bumps his little sister on the nose with the door as he opens it, while his ineradicable habit of leaving the door open means that a moment later he will be bumping himself with it as he dashes about the room.

FOR THE COOK.

SAVOURY PANCAKES.

Put two ounces of flour in a basin with half a teaspoonful of grated lemon rind, a quarter of a teaspoonful of mixed sweet herbs, half a small onion (chopped fine), and pepper and salt. Beat up two eggs, and mix them with half a pint of milk. Then pour on to the flour, etc., stirring well till all is thoroughly mixed and free from lumps. Leave for an hour. When ready, heat a small piece of butter or lard in a frying pan. Stir up the batter, and pour in just enough to cover the bottom of the pan. When nicely brown turn over and brown the other side. Fold up, and keep hot while the rest are cooking. This quantity makes six pancakes.

SHOP EARLY.

A WORD IN SEASON.

IT would be a good thing if a league of "Early Christmas Shoppers" was formed.

There are many kind-hearted people who would shrink from being thoughtless of their fellow-being, who, yet, in this matter, will act in a thoroughly selfish and unkind manner at Christmas, the very busiest time of the whole year.

For doing so they will generally make many excuses. As, for instance, "Oh! I always wait until my boys and girls are back for the holidays; they like to come with me"; or "I never can make up my mind until just at the last, when I must choose something."

If the truth were admitted, it is dilatoriness and laziness. Well, such people, if they have eyes that can see, will judge the result in the tired, harassed faces of the worn-out assistants serving behind the counters.

In many cases, girls are so utterly exhausted by the time their short holiday begins that they are only fit for bed, instead of, as is their right, being able to enjoy the Christmas vacation with the rest of the world.

The Selfish Point.

From the selfish point of view, it is advisable that early shopping should be the rule this season. Trains are fewer than in former years, and, owing to the disturbed state of the country, they are often delayed beyond the scheduled time.

Then it must be remembered that the postal authorities are labouring under the most trying conditions; their premises have been destroyed by fire, and they have to seek accommodation in different blocks of buildings. That they have surmounted such immense obstacles reflects the greatest credit on them, and the least the public can do is to back them up in every possible manner.

Besides, the old adage, always true, is doubly so at this season—"It is the early bird that gets the worm." Could anything be more tempting to young and old than the sight of the cake and sweet shops in all their dazzling Christmas decorations? It is not alone an outside show, for when one gets inside the quality and variety of the goods offered, and the moderation of the prices charged, are an additional attraction.

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So is it with the sweet shops. There, too, can you revel in *marrons glacés*, crystalised fruits, in boxes; stuffed walnuts, Turkish delights, full of pistachio nuts, and delicately flavoured with orange flower water; American and French candies all can be obtained in beautifully got-up boxes. And as the shops themselves are well worth a visit, so original and pretty are the decorations, an early visit of inspection ought to be paid.

M. I. M.

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SANDOWN PARK.

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FOREST FIRE CANTERS HOME.

One is so accustomed to see all that is best in National Hunt racing at Sandown that yesterday sport fell a trifle flat, though possibly the atrocious weather conditions had a depressing effect for not only was it raining throughout the proceedings, but little could be seen of the racing owing to fog. St. George was what is known as a "springer" for the Long Ditton Hurdle, the Ring support for him being delayed until nearly flagfall. He appeared to take his hurdles smartly for Captain Bennet, and when the field appeared in sight was winning in a canter.

He is in the same ownership as Governor Wood, and, being retained for 300 guineas, is likely to do further useful service in this class for Mr. Weil.

It was generally expected that the talented amateur rider, Mr. H. A. Brown, would have a field day in the saddle, but Impressioner, in the Effingham Selling Steeplechase, was his only winner. This is a particularly good-looking gelding who jumps both boldly and smartly. He won with a lot in hand, and is much above the ordinary selling steeplechase class. Mr. Brown's other mounts were Pay Only, in the Ewell Steeplechase, and Knockcroghery II., in the Amateur Riders' Steeplechase. Both horses started good favourites, and both were out with long leads, but apparently failed to stay. Pay Only's defeat was rather sensational. Spoil Five fell when lying up with her, and the race then seemed over. At the final fence Test Match challenged, only in turn to be outstayed and beaten on the flat by Gerald L. Similarly, the danger to Knockcroghery II. appeared to be removed when Honey Cott came down but then Silken Prince got on terms on the flat, and; thanks to a particularly good finishing effort by Mr. Prioleau, upset the good thing by a neck, Silken Prince thus compensating Mrs. D'Arcy Baker for Test Match's defeat.

Forfeit was declared for fifteen of the twenty-two entrants for the Annual Hurdle Handicap. Four of the five runners were heavily supported. The other was Fariray, who, on last year's form, held a good chance; but his trainer, Coulthwaite, was at Haydock, and nothing was known as to his present condition. As a matter of fact, he gave a most exhilarating display, and, making most of the running, accounted for everything except Forest Fire who on 4lb. worse terms, had been well beaten here by Hibernian in October. The Gatwick winner, Golden Melody, was just stopped by his penalty.

Firedrake had run in crab fashion at Newbury, but gave a vastly improved display in beating some well-tried horses in the Three-Year-Old Hurdler

1.0—**LONG DITTON (£) HURDLE** of £200. 2 m.
Mr. Weil's b. h. St. George, by Spearmint—
Simonath 2, aged, 11-7 ..... Captain Bennett 1
Mr. Tabor's WARWICK, 8, 12-1 ..... J. Morgan 2
Mr. Sheiden's GOLDEN AGE, 5, 11-10 ..... Sheiden 3
Also ran—Glance (G. Duller), Charley's Uncle (F. B. Rees), Shustoke (A. Gregson), Captain Paddy (H. Fitzgerald), Sylvarite (H. Smyth), Con Cregan (Dick), Hourt Bledisloe (A. Escott), Hotfoot (A. Smith), Lanau (E. Lane). (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)
Betting—11 to 4 agst. Glance, 7 to 2 ST. GEORGE, 6 to 1 Sylvarite, 7 to 1 Court Bleddyn, 10 to 1 Warwick, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by four lengths; five lengths.
The winner is in for 500 guineas.

1.30—**EFFINGHAM (£) HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £200. 2 m.
Lord Londesborough's ch. g. IMPRESSIONER, by Impressionist — Embrace. 9. 10-12
Mr. H. A. Brown 1
Mr. W. Nightingall's TRIPLE BLUE, 8, 10-11 ..... F. Pitton 2
Mr. Pearson's ADALEW, 4, 10-7 ..... B. Ellis 3
Also ran—Happy Jack (Major Doyle), Matruh (F. Rhodes). (Winner trained by H. Brown.)
Betting—2 to 1 on IMPRESSIONER, 6 to 1 each agst. Triple Blue and Happy Jack, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by six lengths; four lengths. Matruh was last.
The winner was sold to Mr. H. A. Brown for 400 guineas.

2.0—**ANNUAL HURDLE HANDICAP** of £400. 2 m.
Mr. Heybourn's b. c. FOREST FIRE, by Florist — Dorothy Shot. ..... G. Duller 1
Mr. Monihan's FAIRIAY, 5, 10-11 ..... F. Morgan 2
Mrs. Flitch's GOLDEN MELODY, 9, 10-13 ..... B. Rees 3
Lord Denman's Halberdier, 6, 12-2 ..... D. Dick 0
Mr. Sutton's Golden Hero, 8, 10-6 ..... A. Escott 0
Mr. Gunning's Golden Melody, 4, 10-7 ..... Scott 0
Betting—11 to 4 agst. Golden Melody, 3 to 1 Halberdier, 100 to 30 Golden Hero, 4 to 1 FOREST FIRE, 10 to 1 Fairiay.
Starting out of one, work in front of Golden Hero and Golden Melody, with Forest Fire last until approaching the straight, when the last-named moved up rather wide. Two hurdles from home, Forest Fire assumed command and won very easily by six lengths; four lengths dividing second and third. Mr. Sutton's mare was last.

2.30—**EWELL HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £300. 3 m.
Major Murray's b. g. GERALD L., by Captain—Lavenue. 8, 11-8 ..... F. Morgan 1
Mr. Baker's TEST MATCH, 6, 10-5 ..... P. L'Estrange 2
Mr. Sankey's PAY ONLY, 12, 11-4 ..... Mr. H. A. Brown 3
Mr. Ingram's Spoil Five, 9, 11-5 ..... Mr. C. Chapman 0
Lord Denman's Templebar, 8, 11-0 ..... Burns 0
(Winner trained by E. Martin.)
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Pay Only, 3 to 1 Test Match, 9 to 2 Spoil Five, 10 to 1 GERALD L. or any other.
On settling down, Pay Only led from Spoil Five, Templebar, with Gerald L. last. This order was maintained until three furlongs from home, when Spoil Five fell. Between the last two fences, Test Match went to the front, Gerald L. challenged on the flat, and won a fine race by a length and a half; six lengths separated second and third. None of the others finished.

3.0—**THREE-YEAR-OLD HURDLE** of £200. 1m. 5f.
Lord Howard de Walden's ch. c. FIREDRAKE, by Greenback—Oiseau de Feu. 10-7 ..... T. Leader 1
Lord Beresford's RORY O'NEILL, 10-7 ..... A. Escott 2
Mr. Boam's SON O' LOVE, 11-3 ..... H. Smyth 3
Also ran—Gerald H. (Capt. Bennett), Blenheim (A. Smyth), Lafon (T. Knight), Pippin (Major B. Rees), Eastern Prince (G. Duller). (Winner trained by T. Leader.)
Betting—9 to 4 agst. Gerald D., 11 to 4 Son o' Love, 4 to 1 each FIREDRAKE and King Pippin, 10 to 1 bar four.
Won by a head; two lengths. Gerald D. was fourth.

3.30—**AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £200. 2 m.
Mrs. Baker's b. g. SILKEN PRINCE, by Silken Thomas, dam by Red Prince, 8. 11-5 ..... Mr. Prideaux 1
Lord Londesborough's KNOCKCROGHERY II., 6, 11-12 ..... Mr. H. A. Brown 2
Mr. Gunning's CASTLE IN SPAIN, 6, 10-12 ..... Mr. Phillips 3
Also ran—Honey Cott (Capt. Bennett). (Winner trained by E. Martin.)
Betting—Even Prince, 11 to 4 agst. Knockcroghery II., 11 to 4 agst. Honey Cott, 9 to 2 Castle in Spain, 8 to 1 SILKEN PRINCE.
Won by a neck; four lengths. Honey Cott fell.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

By the time the rain had ceased last evening the mist had cleared away, and the prospects are for much finer weather for the conclusion of the meeting upon Esher's slopes to-day. The most attractive race in point of class is the Sandown Handicap Steeplechase over three and a half miles. This is worth £400, but, as in the Annual Hurdle Race yesterday, the field will fall considerably short of double figures, the quality being, indeed, more select than numerous. According to all accounts, Hartigan does not run Daydawn, and Old Tay Bridge still has to arrive from Newmarket. Keep Cool has done plenty of work, and if in the same form as when winning the Lancashire Handicap Steeplechase last Easter Whitaker's horse has a chance. This course, however, wants a lot of jumping, and, remembering previous performances, faith must be pinned to

PUNT GUN,

who has done some of his training while following the hounds in the Devonshire country lately. Punt Gun, indeed, looks the best thing of the day, providing always that Square Dance is an absentee. Selections:—

Bookham Selling—**St. Endas.**
Oxshott Selling—**Perico.**
December Hurdle—**Gay Lochinvar.**
Pond Handicap—**Pinwheel.**
Milburn Maiden—**Another Attraction.**

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1.0—**BOOKHAM SELLING 'CHASE** of £200. 2 m.

356	ATHOS III. (Mr. Baker) ..... Yates	9	11	4
240	RED FINCH (Capt. Covell) ..... Killeen	12	11	4
131	MEMENTO (Mr. Fitch) ..... Poole	14	11	4
101	ST. ENDAS (Mr. Whitaker) ..... Whitaker	9	11	4

The above have arrived.

022	SOMERVILLE (Mrs. Bennett) ..... Bennett	7	11	4
133	INGOE (Mr. H. Brown) ..... Brown	6	11	4
408	MASK OFF (Mr. Saunders) ..... Saunders	15	11	4
000	ARCHBISHOP (Mrs. Stevens) ..... Stevens	9	11	4
230	TIM (Mr. Wood) ..... Private	11	11	4

1.30—**OXSHOTT (£) HURDLE HANDICAP** of £200. 2 m.

051	ST. GEORGE (7lb. ex.) (Mr. Weil) ..... W. Nightingall	6	12	10
000	CHARLET'S UNCLE (Mr. Broadbent) ..... Poole	6	12	7
120	NIKITA (Capt. Brinckman) ..... Butcher	6	12	2

HAYDOCK PARK.

AUBRETIA SCORES.

SOOTHING GLASS'S GREAT RACE.

Notwithstanding the adverse weather conditions and some cold rain, there was quite a good attendance at Haydock Park for the opening day's racing. As runners averaged ten a race, the sport was quite interesting right up to the finish. The Coulthwaite stable ran four horses in four different events, with F Wootton taking the mount on three, but only one materialised. This was Hassock, an odds-on favourite, in the Bryn Hurdle Race, who made every inch of the running Race, who made every inch of the running and won in a canter. The most interesting event was the Makerfield Handicap Steeplechase of 200 sovs., in which two Irish horses, Ben Cruchan, carrying the stopper of 12st. 9lb., and Soothing Glass, singled themselves out at half-way, and ran a magnificent race, Soothing Glass, in receipt of just over 2st., just managing to get home after stalling off his courageous opponent in the run in.

1.0—**BRYN THREE-YEAR-OLD HURDLE** of £150. 1½ m.
Mr. Barnett's br. c. HASSOCK, by Cedrus—Hassin Gesang. 10-7 ..... F. Wootton 1
Lord Wavertree's HAYDON, 10-7 ..... J. Mason 2
Mr. Blain's ERRAND BOY, 10-7 ..... G. Wall 3
Also ran—Bonnie Prince Charlie (S. Tidey), Debrett (F. Brown), Polacca (Carsley), Set Fair (Donnelly), Roi du Ciel (Threlfall), Single Miss (Whelan), Eagle's Tail (E. Bensley), Phantom Charlie (Waudby), Humming (E. McMorran), Marie Marco (G. Goswell), Mystify (J. Goswell), The Shelk (Mr. Blair) Highcliffe (H. Flynn). (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)
Betting—Evens HASSOCK 5 to 1 agst. Bonnie Prince Charlie, 7 to 1 Roi du Ciel, 10 to 1 Errand Boy, 100 to 8 Baydon, 20 to 1 any other.
Won by three lengths, ¾ neck.

1.30—**COUNTY (S.) HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of £150. 2 m.
Mr. Thelwell's b. g. PASTURES NEW, by Paso del Norte—Mrs. Oronics, a. 11-7 ..... J. Goswell 1
Mr. Gibson's OUR QUEEN, a. 11-11 ..... J. Mahony, sen. 2
Mr. Parrish's SIGNUM, a. 10-5 ..... E. B. M'Morran 3
Also ran:—Pride of Manister (F. Mason), Bonnie Charlie (Mr. Blair), Nitric (M. Mooney), Typical (S. Tidey), George B. (C. Edwards), Coaster (Owner). (Winner trained privately.)
Betting—3 to 1 agst. Pride of Manister, 4 to 1 each PASTURES NEW and Bonnie Charlie, 5 to 1 each Nitric and Typical, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by two lengths; eight lengths.

2.0—**GARSWOOD HURDLE HANDICAP** of £250. 2 m.
Mr. Huggett's ch. m. AUBRETIA, by Lorenzo—Maiden Wrangler, 5, 10-8 ..... J. Anthony 1
Mr. Cope's WATERFORD GLASS II. a. 10-12 ..... Foster 2
Mr. Morrison's DERRYBOY II., a. 10-5 ..... F. Wootton 3
Mr. Midwood's Knight of Manister, a. 10-5 ..... Mr. Dewhurst 0
Mr. Knowles's Corney Grain, 6, 11-5 ..... J. Mason 0
Sir R. Liddell's Phantom Willie, 4, 10-5 ..... Waudby 0
Mr. Kemp's Reda, a. 10-5 ..... M. Howard 0
Mr. Mackean's Rory's Glen, 4, 11-1 ..... A. Braithwaite 0
Mr. Copeland's Vale of Realm, a. 10-10 ..... Mr. Armstrong 0
Mr. Brown's Ramda, a. 10-8 ..... J. Payne 0
Lord Cholmondeley's Bac-more, 4, 10-7 ..... F. Mason 0
Mr. R. Walker's Armada, 4, 10-0 ..... J. Mahony, sen. 0
Mr. Kenyon's Woden, 6, 10-0 ..... M. Dillon 0
(Winner trained by Anthony.)
Betting—2 to 1 agst. Derryboy II., 100 to 30 AUBRETIA, 6 to 1 Corney Grain, 7 to 1 Phantom Willie, 8 to 1 Waterford Glass II., 10 to 1 each Highland Glen, Woden, 100 to 6 any other.
Heads cut out the work in the Phantom Willie, Vale of Realm, Waterford Glass II., Woden, Aubretia, and Derryboy II. Close home Aubretia moved up, and rolling up a desperate challenge by Waterford Glass II. won a fine race by ¾-quarters of a length; six lengths between second and third. Ramda was fourth.

2.30—**LOWTON (£) HURDLE** of £150. 2 m.
Mrs. Blain's br. g. VOXOL, by Seaforth—Perishable, 7, 12-3 ..... G. Wall 1
Mr. Barnett's SHIELING, 6, 12-3 ..... F. Wootton 2
Mr. Lund's BLUE BAR, 5, 11-13 ..... Mr. Lund 3
Also ran—Life Buoy (L. B. Rees), Tom Fool (H. Watkins), Venizelos (J. Mason), White Love (D. Sweeney), Niugsep (S. Jones), Hoo (C. Flynn). (Winner trained by Smith.)
Betting—5 to 2 agst. VOXOL, 3 to 1 each Venizelos and Life Buoy, 6 to 1 Shieling, 100 to 8 any other.
Won by eight lengths; six lengths.

3.0—**MAKERFIELD HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £200. 2 m.
Mr. Murland's b. h. SOOTHING GLASS, by Raising Glass—Quinn, 7, 10-5 ..... Moroney 1
Mr. Barbour's BEN CRUCHAN, 8, 12-9 ..... Allen 2
Mr. Magee's HELMET, 7, 10-0 ..... J. McNeill 3
Also ran—My Royal (M. Dillon), Drifter (J. R. Anthony), Fisher (L. Hutchens), Dibbinsdale (F. Mason), Scottish Archer (A. Waudby). (Winner trained by Owner.)
Betting—11 to 10 agst. Ben Cruchan, 5 to 1 each SOOTHING GLASS and Fisher, 6 to 1 My Royal, 7 to 1 Drifter, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by a length and a half; three lengths.

3.35—**WIGAN 'CHASE** of £150. 3 m.
Mrs. Richardson's b. h. FOXHOLT, by Light Brigade—Flora Dance, 6, 12-0 ..... Stubbs 1
Mr. Duckworth's PROGRESS, 4, 10-12 W. Burke 2
Mr. O'Driscoll's SIMONSTOWN, 8, 12-0 Coltart 3
Also ran—Irish Hunter (McMorrow), Grey Knight (Mr. Delmege). (Winner trained by Stokes.)
Betting—11 to 10 on Simonstown, 3 to 1 agst. FOXTROT, 8 to 1 Grey Knight, 10 to 1 any other.
Won by a length and a half; a bad third.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

It was not a brilliant day's racing on the opening afternoon of the Haydock Park Meeting, but some fair sport was seen, and so there should be to-day, when the meeting concludes Selections:—

St. Helen's Steeplechase—**Winter Voyage.**
Saturday Hurdle—**Venizelos.**
Haydock Steeplechase—**Navana.**
Juvenile Hurdle—**Uncle David.**
Newton Hurdle—**Love Letter.**
Club Steeplechase—**One.**

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1.0—**ST. HELEN'S HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £150. 3 m.

		Age.	st. lb.
	BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. Barbour) ..... Private	8	12	12
	WAYFOOD (Mr. Watts) ..... Watts	7	12	0
132	WINTER VOYAGE (Mr. Oakshott) ..... H. Harrison	5	11	0
013	DUN SCOTUS (Mr. Burnett) ..... Sanderl	11	10	12

(The above have arrived.)

121	JIMMY (Mr. Sunday) ..... Sunday	8	11	10
004	NOBLE GUARD (Mr. Shaw) ..... Shaw	7	11	9
020	WOOLCRAFT (Mr. Settle) ..... Harrison	7	11	9
	SIMONSTOWN (Mr. Dillon) ..... Dillon	7	11	9
090	DUNADRY (Mrs. Blain) ..... Spittle	11	11	5
024	TOYBOAT (Mr. Palmer) ..... Palmer	8	11	5
022	SILENT SANDS (Mr. Sandes) ..... Sandes	8	11	5
201	OUTLAW (Mr. O'Dwyer) ..... Private	8	10	15
122	SOME DANCER (Mr. Brennan) ..... W. Payne	6	10	10
10a	UDAN (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	9	10	9
21a	BUCKFINCH (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	9	10	4
32	FLY BOY II. (Mr. Denley) ..... Private	7	10	1
000	CHARLESTOWN (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	7	10	0
304	UPTON LAD (Mr. Patterson) ..... Cowap	7	10	0

1.30—**SATURDAY (S.) HANDICAP HURDLE** of £150. 2 m.

		Age.	st. lb.
030	BACTON LAD (Mr. Mollekin) ..... Vasey	5	12	2
033	VELOCITY (Mr. Rawlins) ..... Davis	9	12	0
0	LADY WAVELET (Mr. Parrish) ..... H. Harrison	8	11	11
000	MORE RAIN (Mr. Rose) ..... Lund	11	11	11
400	FARM GIRL (Mr. Aitken) ..... Aitken	5	11	11
000	MEADOWCROFT (Mr. Scanlan) ..... Bickley	10	11	9
002	HOO (Mr. H. Smith) ..... Flynn	4	11	6
000	BABOLEIN (Mr. Bullock) ..... Bullock	4	11	6
038	ROSHETTA (Mrs. Renwick) ..... Renwick	5	11	2
000	SWEET AUBURN II. (Mr. Scott) ..... Thomson	4	11	2

(The above have arrived.)

00	AMBOYNA (Mr. Whiting) ..... Whiting	5	12	1
040	NORA II. (Mr. Delmege) ..... Private	8	12	0
310	LOBLOLLY (Mr. Shaw) ..... Barrow	5	11	13
003	LLANTHONY (Maj. Palmer) ..... Palmer	10	11	12
002	LITTLE MILFORD (Mr. Thomas) ..... D. Harrison	6	11	11
303	ROSEBIRD (Mrs. Rimington) ..... Rimington	5	11	6
026	BEZIQUE (Mr. Murray) ..... Tinsley	a	11	6
230	ETON (Mr. Flood) ..... Vasey	4	11	6
000	FOOL PROOF (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	5	11	6
020	NELLIE GOUGH (Mr. Boyd) ..... H. Harrison	4	11	6
020	SNOWMAN (Mr. McMorran) ..... McMorran	8	11	6
000	CHUCK A PENNY (Mr. Kimberley) ..... Kemberley	4	11	4
002	NISUS (Mr. Hartley) ..... O'Sullivan	9	11	4
0	POOR DAMSEL (Mr. Greenwood) ..... Moss	4	11	4
040	RANTER (Mr. Warner) ..... Angler	6	11	3
023	CYLBURN (Mr. Huxley) ..... Palmer	4	11	2
000	LEIGHLIN GRIDS (Mr. Rogers) ..... D. Rogers	4	11	2
000	CORSICAN (Mr. Willmott) ..... Anthony	4	11	1
350	FAIRY CROSS (Mr. Peebles) ..... Peebles	4	11	1
000	JACK SHEPPARD (Mrs. Smith) ..... Mrs. Smith	4	10	11
00	MAGO (Mr. Cossland) ..... Cossland	4	10	11
000	TOMARD (Mr. Dennis) ..... Barthropp	7	10	11
000	BEETLE OFF (Mr. Irwin) ..... Smallwood	5	10	9
000	KING'S NORDLEY (Mr. Mills) ..... Mills	7	10	4

2.0—**HAYDOCK PARK HANDICAP 'CHASE** of £250. 2 m.

	ZENON (Mr. O'Reilly) ..... Coulthwaite	7	12	7
145	MY ROYAL (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	12	11	10
314	CORNEY GRAIN (Mr. Knowles) ..... Fergusson	6	11	4
311	SOOTHING GLASS (9lb. ex.) (Mr. Murland) ..... Private	7	11	2
113	SAVANA (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	8	11	0
103	SCOTTISH ARCHER (Mr. W. Smith) ..... Peacock	8	10	4
	HELMET (Mr Magee) ..... Private	7	10	0

(The above have arrived.)

040	SHERWOOD FORESTER (Mr. Settle) ..... H. Harrison	7	12	7
140	HOLDCROFT (Mr. Sutton) ..... Hastings	8	12	3
004	CLONREE (Mrs. Blain) ..... Smith	5	12	0
102	PHACO (Mrs. Peel) ..... H. Harrison	7	11	6
	GANSET (Mr. Sullivan) ..... Private	8	10	12
039	SILENT SANDS (Mr. Sandes) ..... Sandes	9	10	9
210	SHREWSBURY (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	7	10	7
102	LANDTEEL (Mr. Beckett) ..... Barker	10	10	5
000	FLY MASK (Mr. Tabor) ..... Coulthwaite	8	10	5

2.30—**JUVENILE (S.) HURDLE** of £150. 1½ m.

0	BARON OF BEEF (Mr. Archer) ..... Archer	10	12
0	GEORGE D (Lady Fitzwilliam) ..... Private	10	12
00	TOMMY LONG (Mr. Greenwood) ..... Moss	10	12
00	BLACK AND TAN (Mr. Knowles) ..... Fergusson	10	12
003	KNIGHT OF THE MINT (Capt. Bird) ..... Blair	10	12
02	UNCLE DAVID (Mr. Sensina) ..... Bickler	10	12
000	ROSEMOUNT (Mr. Smith) ..... Scott	10	12

(The above have arrived.)

101	AISLE (Mr. Birkbeck) ..... T. Leader	11	5
	ALCTOR (Mr. Cleary) ..... Cleary	10	12
0	INVITE (Mr. Desmond) ..... Donnelly	10	12
4	JIM DANDY (Mr. Dixon) ..... Lines	10	12
302	FERDINAND (Mr. Edwards) ..... Edwards	10	12
0	MAXI (Mr. Goddard) ..... Private	10	12
203	HIGHLINA (Mrs. Moore) ..... Sheldon	10	12
0	LISCAR (Mr. Martin) ..... T. Leader	10	12

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

The Irish Grand National of £750, to be decided at Fairyhouse on Easter Monday, has closed with 30 entries.

There are 39 entries for the Metropolitan Steeplechase of 500 sovs., 43 for the St. Patrick's Day Steeplechase of same value, and 32 for the Directors' Hurdle Plate, all of which will be run at the Baldoyle Spring Meeting.

Simonstown, Martin Fitz, Ganzey, St. Pam, Boomerang, and Serpolette have been struck out of the Christmas Steeplechase at Leopardstown.

The statutory general meetings of the Turf Club and of the I.N.H.S. Committee will be held at the Registry Office, Dublin, on Monday, January 8th.

Bon Secour has left the Curragh for Epsom, and Ballynagarde has been sent to Nottingham to fulfil his engagement in the Castle Selling Steeplechase on Monday.

Irish owned and trained horses finished first, second, and third in the Makerfield Steeplechase at Haydock yesterday, Mr. Murland's Soothing Glass by record odds, Mr. Barbour's narrow victory over the top weight, Ben Cruchan with Helmet a creditable third. Earlier in the day Hassock, carrying the Groomsport colours of Mr. D. W. Barnett won the Bryn Hurdle Plate.

At the request of Mr. Frank Barbour, the Stewards of the I.N.H.S. Committee inquired into the matter of the handicapping of Ben Cruchan with Ischevahn in the Sillogue Plate at Proudstown Park Meeting on November 10th last. After hearing the handicapper's explanation they considered he was justified in allotting the weights to these two horses, but they did not forfeit the deposit.—*Irish Racing Calendar.*

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Chronicle :—To-day's double—Ulster Division and Mask Man. To "Beat the Book"—Ulster Division (if ab., Killesher), in 2.30 race.

Daily Mirror :—Double—St. Endas and Perico.

Daily News :—To-day's best—Royal Highness (nap) and Uncle David (at Haydock).

Daily Mail :—Special selection — Royal Highness. Double—Keep Cool and Royal Highness.

Daily Express :—Safety bet—Uncle David (at Haydock).

Daily Graphic :—Double—George D. and Ulster Division (both at Haydock).

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Sandown Park engagements, December 8 and 9—Bimbis.
Wolsey Selling Steeplechase, Hurst Park, December 15—Pinwinder.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

WARD UNION STAGHOUNDS.

Date—Dec.	Meet.	Hour.
Saturday, 9th	Priestown Cross-roads	1.30
Wednesday, 13th	10-Mile Bush	1.30
Saturday, 16th	9-Mile Stone	1.30

KILDARE HOUNDS.

Saturday, 9th	Carrolstown	11.0
Monday, 11th	Bellister (by-day)	11.0
Tuesday, 12th	Garadice	11.0
Thursday, 14th	Acisrc	11.0
Friday, 15th	Laracor	11.0

CO. GALWAY.—December—Wednesday, 13th—Loughrea; Wednesday, 20th—Crimlin; Wednesday, 27th, Athenry. All 11 o'clock.

KILL HARRIERS.—Change of Meet:—Wednesday, December 13, Longwood, instead of Monday, 11th.

TIPPERARY FOXHOUNDS.—December—Monday, 11th—Cashel; Wednesday, 13th—Marlfield; Friday, 15th—Limolin; Monday, 18th—Ballingarry; Wednesday, 20th—Barne; Friday, 22nd—Mayfield Cross. At 11 o'clock.

ISLAND HOUNDS.

Owing to the death of Lady Esmonde, these hounds will not hunt until after the funeral. Next Tuesday's meet has been changed from Boricigh to Clough.

CRICKET.

WICKET-KEEPER SAILS FOR SOUTH AFRICA.

Street, the Sussex wicket-keeper, sailed for Cape Town yesterday afternoon on board the Kildonan Castle. He goes out to join the M.C.C. team touring in South Africa, to take the place of Livsey, the Hampshire wicket-keeper, who has broken a finger.

LORD DERBY'S SATISFACTION.

Lord Derby, in a letter to the annual meeting of the Lancashire Cricket Club, held at Manchester yesterday, said that he was delighted with the satisfactory finances, and it was an additional pleasure that this desirable result had been brought about during his two years of presidency. He hoped next year would see Lancashire's advance to the premier position in the championship table.

The Treasurer, Sir Edwin Stockton, reported a surplus on the year of £1,700.

Mr. O. P. Lancashire was elected President.

M.C.C. TEAM LEAVES SYDNEY FOR NEW ZEALAND.

SYDNEY, December 8.

The M.C.C. team, who were held up here for some days owing to a seamen's strike, sailed to-day on board the Moeraki for New Zealand, where they will play several matches, including three Test games.

000	OGONOSCO (Mr. Mills) ..... Mills	10	12	
210	PONGHELA (Mr. Mollekin) ..... Vasey	10	12	
0	PUNGENCY (Mr. Oakshott) ..... H. Harrison	10	12	
0	HARD CASH (Mr. Parker) ..... H. Harrison	10	12	
	LOWFORD (Mr. Parrish) ..... H. Harrison	10	12	
	FRENCH LEAVE (Mr. Peel) ..... H. Harrison	10	12	
00	KILTRUTH (Mrs. Roberts) ..... Saxby	10	12	
303	HOUSE (Mr. Larkin) ..... Larkin	10	12	
0	EASTER HOLIDAY (Mr. Sadler) ..... G. Sadler	10	12	
	RED SPINNER (Mr. Tattersall) ..... H. Harrison	10	12	
120	LUSIAD (Sir H. Webb) ..... D. Harrison	10	12	
	KING'S DOUBLE (Mr. Whiteman) ..... Burns	10	12	

3.0—**NEWTON HURDLE HANDICAP,** £200. 2 m.

112	ULSTER DIVISION (Mr. Barnett) ..... Coulthwaite	5	12	8
220	SWINDLE (Mrs. Dod) ..... Thomson	5	12	0
401	BEYROR (Mrs. Blain) ..... Spittle	6	12	0
010	WATERFORD GLASS II. (Mr. Cope) ..... Bullock	7	11	8
002	LOVE LETTER (Mr. Bricker) ..... Payne	5	11	0
000	PHANTOM WILLIE (Sir R. Liddell) ..... Peacock	4	11	0
003	DERRYBOY II. (Mr. Morrison) ..... Coulthwaite	8	11	0
	JABOULAY (Mr. Copeland) ..... Copeland	4	10	14
000	CUHONA (Mrs. Bullin) ..... W. Payne	9	10	11
005	WILD FAM (Mr. Brown) ..... Coulthwaite	9	10	11
330	WODEN (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	6	10	10
	(The above have arrived.)			
30	HYMIR (Capt. Delargy) ..... Private	8	12	7
212	JOSEPH THE FIRST (7th. ex.) (Lady Webb) ..... D. Harrison	5	12	2
	TELTOWN (Mr. Hons) ..... Davis	4	12	2
050	ARIS (Mr. O'Sullivan) ..... O'Sullivan	7	11	7
011	DRUMREE (Mr. Sandy) ..... Sandy	6	11	4
000	LOCHINVAR (Mr. Bunn) ..... Bunn	8	11	4
	QUILE (Mr. Harris) ..... R. J. Collins	5	11	4
123	SOME DANCER (Mr. Brennan) ..... Payne	5	11	2
01	BALDEK (Mr. Vinecraft) ..... Vasey	4	11	2
(20)	GALLESIAN (Mr. Lloyd) ..... Jackson	5	11	1
000	BURLY (Mr. Hogg) ..... Hogg	6	10	13
300	DUG MAJOR (Mr. Richardson) ..... Bullock	7	10	10
0	ROSHERVILLE (Mr. Rhodes) ..... O'Sullivan	9	10	10
010	EARLY BUN (Mrs. Fodes) ..... Bickley	7	10	9
200	MARIA (Mr. Brown) ..... Casebourne	10	10	4
300	STORMFRUIT (Mr. Kenyon) ..... Davis	4	10	9
004	TURMERIC (Mr. Dennis) ..... D. Harrison	4	10	7

3.25—**CLUB MAIDEN 'CHASE** of £150. 2 m.

221	SWIMMER (Mr. A. McAlpine) ..... H. Harrison	5	11	2
302	COSAQUE (Mr. Lloyd) ..... Jackson	7	11	4
	BRUTUS III. (Mr. Sandar) ..... Sandar	9	11	4
	(The above have arrived.)			
0	DUNSTANSTEADS (Mr. Burnett) ..... Threlfall	7	11	4
0	MEM SAHIB (Mr. Kearon) ..... Davis	6	11	4
	HOT CROSS (Mr. Midwood) ..... Fergusson	6	11	4
001	ONE (Capt. Rich) ..... Blair	5	11	11
000	OLD MICK (Mr. Shaw) ..... Bathropp	6	11	4
	BALLYLUNDAN (Mr. Shiels) ..... Private	6	11	4
2s8	DUTCH DOLL (Mr. Marriott) ..... Edwards	4	10	7
303	ARUN BRIDGE (Mr. Paterson) ..... Cowap	4	10	7

NEWMARKET SALES.

2,800 GUINEAS FOR TREMOLA.

There was rain during the night, and this caused a pleasant rise in the temperature. The proceedings at yesterday's Newmarket Sales dragged terribly. 2,800 guineas being the highest price recorded, until at the end of nearly two hours

FOUR "REPRISAL" EXECUTIONS.

LABOUR'S STRONG PROTEST IN THE DAIL.

GOVERNMENT'S DEFENCE.

DRASTIC STEPS TO FOIL POLICY OF ASSASSINATION.

After question time in the Dail yesterday, Mr. Thomas Johnson, leader of the Labour Party, rose and said—Before proceeding to the business on the Order Paper, I would call the attention of the House to a statement in the evening papers regarding the execution of four prisoners.

President Cosgrave—I do not know that there is any necessity for making any statement on the subject.

Mr. Johnson—I am surprised to hear the President making the statement that there is no necessity for a statement.

President Cosgrave—On a point of order, there is business on the agenda to which I would draw your attention, and it is not within the province of any member to interrupt.

Mr. Johnson said that he was asking that the standing orders should be waived for the purpose of drawing attention to business of much greater importance to themselves and to the good name of the country—(Hear, hear)—than any standing orders.

The Chairman pointed out that the next business on the Order Paper was the election of a Committee of Dail Eireann to appoint Ministers, who shall not be members of the Executive Council.

Mr. Johnson—I suggest that there will be no need for such an election.

The President—On a point of order, you must either go on with the business, or adjourn. The business is there on the Order Paper, and the Standing Orders must be complied with.

Mr. Johnson—If you postpone the matter, according to the Standing Orders, it must be postponed until late in the evening. The business is of very great concern, indeed—it is of the most urgent importance.

President Cosgrave (to the Chairman)—I must ask you for a ruling on it.

Mr. Johnson—Two days ago you swore allegiance to a Constitution——

The Chairman—The business must be gone through. Except by agreement, it cannot be waived.

Mr. Johnson—Ceann Chomhairle,—I move the suspension of the Standing Orders to allow a matter of the greatest importance to be discussed before any other business is attended to.

The Chairman put the motion for the suspension of the Standing Orders, and on a division there voted:

For the motion	14
Against	44
Government majority	30

NOTICE GIVEN.

Mr. Johnson then gave notice that on the motion for adjournment he would raise a question as a matter of urgency and public importance, arising from the announcement in the evening newspapers that four prisoners, who had been in the hands of the Government for five months had been executed that morning as a reprisal for the murder that took place on Thursday.

The Chairman—Does any deputy support that?

All the Labour members signified that they supported the notice of motion.

The House proceeded to elect a Committee to appoint Ministers who shall not be members of the Executive Council.

The Chairman intimated that fifteen deputies had to be elected, and asked the members to come forward and get their ballot papers.

Mr. eDoyle (Wexford) stated that Deputy Vaughan (Cork) wished to withdraw his name from the nominations to the Committee.

Mr. T. Johnson (Dublin County)—Please withdraw my name also.

Mr. O'Shannon (Louth-Meath), Alderman O'Brien (Dublin City), and Mr. O'Connell (Galway), who, with Mr. Johnson, occupied front seats of the Labour benches, also asked to have their names withdrawn.

The President said that he would ask that the Committee should be impartially representative of the Dail. One could not challenge one part of the Constitution and prostitute another. He submitted that the names proposed should be circulated, and that there should be an election on them. Then, if the members elected failed to discharge their public duties that was not the responsibility of the Government.

Dr. McGinley (Donegal) asked would the members who withdrew their names reconsider their decision.

Mr. Gorey (Carlow-Kilkenny) made a remark which was inaudible at the Press table, about "trying to save their skins."

The Chairman said that the election would take at least two hours, and probably longer, and the House would adjourn until 4.15 o'clock.

THE DEBATE.

LABOUR'S STRONG PROTEST.

Mr. Thomas Johnson rose at 4.20 to raise the question of the execution of four men, as announced by the Army Headquarters that morning.

The Chairman—I think this should stand over until the adjournment. You must take the discussion on the motion for the adjournment of the Dail.

The President said that if it would assist Deputy Johnson he would move the adjournment of the House till 7.30 p.m.

Mr. Johnson said that the House had been shocked on Thursday when they were informed by the President of the murder of Sean Hales, a member of that House, and the attempted murder of Patrick O Maille, Deputy Speaker. It was not an occasion for speech. They all realised the enormity of the crime.

Some of them felt that, with the position that Sean Hales had occupied in public life and the position that Patrick O Maille had occupied, it would probably have led to a revulsion of feeling in the ranks of many who had been comrades of these men, and to-day they read in the evening papers:—"The execution took place this morning at Mountjoy Jail of the following persons taken in arms against the Irish Government—Rory O'Connor, Liam Mellows, Joseph McKelvey, and Richard Barrett as a reprisal."

"As a reprisal," he repeated after a pause, "for the assassination on his way to Dail Eireann on the 7th December of Brigadier Sean Hales, T.D., and as a solemn warning to those associated with them who are engaged in a conspiracy of assassination against the representatives of the Irish people."

Horrors upon horrors, continued Mr. Johnson. The assassination of Sean Hales was a dastardly thing; murder most foul at the best it was; but this was murder most foul, bloody and unnatural.

These four men had been in the charge of the Government for five months. The Government was charged with the care of these four men; that was their duty. The Government thought it well not to try them, not to bring them up to the Courts, and then, because a man was assassinated—a man whom they held in honour—the Government of this country, the Government of Saorstat Eireann, announced, apparently with pride, that they had taken out four men who were in their charge as prisoners, and as a reprisal for assassination they murdered them.

NOT IN CONSPIRACY.

These men could not have been engaged in any conspiracy; they had been in the charge of the Government for five months. Any other prisoner convicted of any other offence might be taken out by the Government of the country and shot as a reprisal for any other offence by any other person.

He wondered whether any member of the Government, who had any regard for the honour of Ireland, any regard for the good name of the State, or any regard for the safety of the State, would stand over an act of that kind.

Two days had elapsed since there was a formal proclamation announcing the birth of that new State. It was hoped that the course of law would be in operation henceforward; it was hoped that there would be some sign of the rehabilitation of the idea of law.

"I am almost forced to say that I believe you have killed the new State at its birth," continued Mr. Johnson. "I cannot imagine that anyone who is thinking in terms of anything but vengeance can defend this action. We have felt it necessary that we should raise a protest and a warning against secret trials. We feared the possibility that secrecy under the guise of legality would lead to secrecy without legality. It happened too soon."

There was no pretence of legality. There was not even a trial according to the rules that were authorised. The offence that these men committed was not an offence committed before July. So far as he knew, there was no trial, and the men had been executed as a reprisal. How true it seemed that one side of the fight took upon itself the evil taught by the other side.

The papers had been teeming for the last few days with red horrors. The world had been ringing with the denunciation of the execution of certain statesmen in Greece. What was the world going to say about the four prisoners taken out of their cells and executed, not for an offence and after trial, but as a reprisal and as a warning to other people with whom they had had no connection for five months?

The Labour Party had hoped that they would be proud of the new State. In all their criticisms of the Government, they had tried to be fair; they had tried to recognise their difficulties; they had tried to be reasonable and their criticisms had been directed to help them and keep them from doing that which they would not wish to do.

Yesterday they might have stood against the world, and now—None so poor as do them reverence.

"CORSICAN VENDETTA."

Mr. Gavan Duffy (County Dublin) said that little remained to be said about the horrible deed of that morning. He thought that they had reached the limit when it was shown the other day that it was the official policy to try men for one thing and execute them for something else. He never contemplated such a thing as that.

Where was this Corsican vendetta to end? Did any man on the Government benches think that they were going to get victory by methods such as that? He had no words too strong in condemnation of the assassination of one of their colleagues. They were a Government. These men were prisoners of war for several months, and they were slain because someone killed Sean Hales—put to death by a Government.

Imagination was staggered by the idea that any group of men calling themselves an Executive authority could be driven so far from the ordinary course of human understanding, human appreciation of things, as to sanction such an act as that.

He knew full well, and everyone there knew, that the anger was intense and just, and the temptation was present. Either they were a Government or they were not. He wanted to tell the Government, as one who had watched their career closely for the past few months, that he could conceive no course more certain to ruin the cause that they had at heart. This deed violated the very Constitution that was established a couple of days ago. Let any man read Article 70 of that Constitution, put it side by side with their executions, and they would stand self-condemned on their own Constitution. The only explanation was that men who sanctioned a deed like that were not in a normal state of mind; they were not fit to have in their hands the destinies of this country.

He supposed that under the terrible strain in which they lived it was not surprising that they should find it difficult to judge things calmly, but when the Irish people realised the full meaning of this thing they would not approve or acquiesce in this deed, which had been described as a reprisal perpetrated by a Government.

He wished to raise his voice, however small it might be, in support of the protest which had come from the Labour benches. It was a deed that would dishonour any civilised Government.

MINISTER OF DEFENCE.

PRIDE IN BEARING GREAT RESPONSIBILITIES.

The Minister of Defence (General Richard Mulcahy) said that when in such a critical time as that a responsible public representative came forward, and pointed to certain actions of the Government that were repellent in themselves, and were brought about only by the terrible crisis of outrage that surrounded them, and said that they carried out these actions in pride, they might expect some announcement of the marks of pride that marked their actions that day.

The pride they had was deep in their heart, pride that they were shouldering responsibilities that were very heavy and very great.

When British statesmen, three or four years ago, denied to their representatives the right to meet and walk through their country as representatives of the people, and when they said that they would not tolerate that and struck at the power that would take up an attitude such as that towards representative government in Ireland, they took it up as a very solemn, inwardly pride-borne responsibility, and they did not ask anybody to be so poor as to do them reverence.

The action which had taken place that morning had not taken place because a man had been assassinated whom they held in honour, or because Sean Hales, their comrade, had been assassinated. The action which had taken place that morning was brought about by the fact that there were forces working around them to-day more vicious and more insidious than Britain ever employed against representative government in Ireland.

On the 27th November last the Speaker of that House got a letter addressed to him from one who was the armed leader of those destructive forces, declaring that he (the Speaker) was the head of an illegal body, and declaring that if the forces at the disposal of this illegal body did not act legally, and, when they caught people shooting down other people and destroying railways, did not take them and simply say: "We are responsible for taking care of you, we are responsible for giving you an egg for your breakfast and seeing that you have a good covering and a bed to sleep on"—the Speaker was told by the head of these forces of disorder that he would take very drastic action against him.

SAFETY OF PEOPLE.

On the previous evening a public representative of the people of Ireland coming to the Parliament was assassinated. The Army Council was responsible for the safety of the people of this country; it was responsible for protecting them and enabling the fabric of government and social order to exist.

The fabric of government consisted of 90 or 100 individuals selected by the people to be their spokesmen, to design their laws and regulate their lives. They were responsible for seeing that the fabric of government and social order was maintained, and to see that those who were the representatives of the people could meet in council and walk through the country freely, and, unmolested, discharge the onerous duties which the people had entrusted them with.

Being a group of individuals like that, they realised that their Government was the most vulnerable thing that they could have if they were going to tolerate an armed band going around the country intent simply upon their assassination.

Now, realising that, the Army Council said that it was necessary to take exceptional and drastic action to prevent a continuance of the policy which was begun on the previous day, and to point out to the people that the policy was a single taking off, man by man, of every one of those individuals that formed the Government of this country.

When their work was done and they left as a result of it an Irish people behind them, they might blame them if they left any stains by their actions upon the fair name of their country, or what was once its fair name; but they could still leave an Irish people behind them. (Applause.)

In recommending to the Government that that morning's action should be taken they did not recommend that the lives of men should be taken who had nothing to do with the policy that was being pursued. They did not recommend that action be taken as a punishment or as an act of vengeance, and that action should be taken in anger or taken under temptation.

They had too long borne the responsibilities that were on them.

Mr. O'Shannon—Hear, hear.

General Mulcahy (continuing) said that they had too long held their hand, their heart, and their mind sacrificially in the flame, like the warrior of old, and gone steadily and straightforwardly to the duties than to act in anger. The action they had taken that morning was to secure that this country should not be destroyed and thrown into chaos by the operations of any group of men acting together for the destruction, one by one, or in groups, of the representatives of the people, who were the custodians of their Government and of society. (Applause.)

INCOMPETENT.

GOVERNMENT "NOT FIT TO GOVERN."

Mr. O'Shannon (Labour) said that, in supporting Deputy Johnson and Deputy Gavan Duffy, he wanted to say at the beginning that the Government was absolutely incompetent and unfit to govern the country. Nobody had denounced more than he had the murder of Deputy Hales. But he regarded it as a sign of the incompetence of the Government and of the Minister of Defence.

He had said several times that they could not trust the Army with great and terrible powers. The Military Council of Five had been reduced to three, and to them the House had handed over the Government, lock, stock, and barrel.

The Minister of Defence said that these executions that morning had been to deter criminals from doing murders and assassinations. Was the drafter of the official proclamation a liar in saying that the executions were a reprisal for the assassination of Sean Hales? If he was a liar, then the military liar should be dealt with.

He condemned the executions also upon the ground of policy. It was the horror and detestation of the executions by the British that forced the British people to let Ireland loose. And here they had a number of gentlemen put in by the Government of Ireland, and they committed the greatest crime or assassination which had been committed in the last ten years—they, the Government, who should be the preservers of law and order. It was the greatest incitement to disorder, anarchy, and assassination in the country.

Did anyone think, when it went out among the gunmen of the I.R.A. that four men were shot as a reprisal and a warning not to shoot any more T.D.'s, would not every man in the I.R.A. who had been fighting for the last three or four years tighten his grip on his parabellum in his pocket, and get out to "pot" as many T.D.'s as he could.

The Labour members had taken their responsibility as much as anyone else, but, so far as they could prevent it, they were not prepared to let any Government off with the crime of treason against the State. (Hear, hear.)

NO TRIAL.

They should not have executed these men without a trial; they murdered these men, for their execution was nothing short of murder. The Minister of Defence had not put forward military necessity to explain the executions. They said they were going to deter the gunmen. He was going to speak plain and straight. They were there in the Irish Free State, and he wanted the Ministry to answer this question—where did the Governor-General come in in this affair?

On the whole, he had not wanted a Governor-General, but he bowed to the will of the majority of the people who took the Treaty settlement. There was not a Dominion in the British Empire in which anything like what happened that morning could happen—not a single one of them.

"You have smashed the Irish Free State," said Mr. O'Shannon. "You are going to smash it. You think you are going to prevent anarchy and destruction by a deed like this, but you are loosing more destruction and more anarchy than ever Rory O'Connor let loose in the Four Courts."

He did not wish to speak personally of the four men executed; but was there anyone who knew men like Liam Mellowes in Ireland for the past ten years who did not know that every little "nipper" would seek revenge for Mellowes!

The President had talked about the Constitution but they had prostituted the Constitution by executing these people, because their Constitution should be the foundation of the State. They had, by the executions, cut away the foundations of the Constitution. The I.R.A. would argue that they had to "plug" a good many more deputies in order to prevent the national troops from firing on them.

There was no more right for the executions that morning than there was the previous evening for the shooting of Sean Hales. They had a majority of the Dail behind them for the execution of men taken in arms and tried by a military Court, but they did not even ask for authority for reprisals such as these. Their national army, as they called it, was morally and legally nothing more than an army of citizens defending the State. The men who sat on the Government benches had handed their power and authority to that armed body of citizens.

He (Mr. O'Shannon) said that the Government was not able to carry on the government of this country; otherwise, they would not be forced to insist upon the murder of the four men in Mountjoy. Deputy Johnson had said that these men in Mountjoy Prison could not have been in communication with the gunmen outside without the connivance of the Government. He did not go so far as that; but if there was communication by the prisoners, it must have been through the incompetence of the Government.

A CRY.

The Government were not fit to rule and govern the country. A cry would go through the streets of Dublin, and through the twenty-six counties: "Oh, if the British Government would only come back." They talked of wanting the people of the North-East to come into the Free State, but they would not come in because the Government was unfit to govern. The executions were a horrible crime against the whole State—it was a worse blow at the Free State than had been struck by the Republican gunmen.

At first he thought that the executions were the work of Sean Hales's comrades, running amok, and that it was done in hot blood; but now he found that the Government was responsible, and that they had shattered the whole idea of Free State Government in Ireland. (Applause.)

Mr. Milroy (Cavan) said that the present was the time for deputies to realise the position in which they stood. Sean Hales had fallen, and every member of that House might fall that evening, on the morrow, or the next day. But if every member of that Assembly had to go down, let it be so, if they could get security for the people and for the nation, and not let the nation go down before the bullet or the knife of the assassin.

The Irish nation was gripped by the throat by stark naked anarchy, and the assassin had challenged the authority of that Parliament and of the nation. When Sean Hales was struck down, it was something more than the mere assassination of a deputy—it was a blow at the whole principle of civilised Government in this country.

MUST BE MET.

It was the most serious challenge that Ireland had had for generations. It was a more serious challenge than England had given to that country, and it was a challenge that must be met by the Irish people. A few years ago the country was living in terror under the shadow of the Black and Tan *régime*, but there was now a shadow and a horror hanging over Ireland, which was not the peril of the British Black and Tan *régime*, but the shadow and horror of the midnight assassin and the daylight assassin.

It was the duty of the Government responsible for safeguarding the future of the nation to rid Ireland of that pestilential menace, so that men and women could walk in the streets in security without being struck down by the bullet or the bomb of those who had brought the country to its present tragic position.

Mr. Johnson had said that any other four men convicted of any other offence might have been brought out. "Shall I take it," said Mr. Milroy, "that it is not the idea of a reprisal to which Deputy Johnson objects?"

Mr. Johnson—(interrupting)—That suggestion is beneath contempt.

Mr. Milroy—I took down your words, Deputy Johnson. Let me know if I have taken them incorrectly.

Mr. Johnson—It is a vile inference.

The Chairman (to Deputy Milroy)—It is the inference you have drawn.

Mr. Milroy—If it is unfair, I withdraw, but I do not see any unfair inference. Continuing, Mr. Milroy said that Deputy O'Shannon had denounced the Government as incompetent and unfit to govern. He wondered whether Deputy O'Shannon realised that he would not be in that assembly were it not for the national army, of which he had such a poor estimate. Deputy O'Shannon had also said that when the gunmen of the I.R.A. heard what had happened they would "do so and so."

He wondered was Deputy O'Shannon in a position to state what the gunmen of the I.R.A. would do? He seemed to be very definite in his predictions as to their attitude.

STOUT HEARTS NEEDED.

He (Mr. Milroy) had no doubt that what had happened would enrage those who had been assailing the foundations of the Government that had been set up under difficult circumstances and peril. He had no doubt but that what happened that day would enrage them more and more, but the Government, the Assembly, and the Nation would have to steel its heart, so that it would not quail before any set of gunmen, though they became so infuriated as so many lunatics.

Let them realise what they had to get rid of, the nightmare of horror, bloodshed, and turmoil. They had first to get the principles of government recognised, to get the sovereign will of the people accepted as the basis of that government, and they had got to get the recognition for the Government to make that will articulate.

Nothing would save the country from disaster unless they had the essential basis of the Government recognised.

Referring to Deputy Gavan Duffy's speech, Mr. Milroy said that Deputy Duffy, so far as he recognised, had ever given the Government credit for having a reputation of even the faintest dimensions since the Provisional Government came into being.

Reference, he added, had been made to the weakness of the people being evoked against the Government. The wrath of the people was a terrible thing, and it had been evoked by those who had endeavoured to prevent the voice of the people from being heard, and the will of the people from being made effective.

It was difficult to conceive that a moment that saw the end of foreign rule, and the moment that saw the fabric of government passing into Irish hands, Irish Government, and that saw the armed forces of the alien out of the country, and the police replaced by an Irish force, and saw the revenue and resources of the nation being recovered by the nation—it certainly staggered imagination that such a moment, which might have been regarded as a splendid and glorious epoch in the nation's life, should have been the moment for armed bands of politicians to strike down the nation and prevent it from enjoying those blessings that might have flowed from it.

To-day there was a shadow over the nation—(hear, hear, from Labour benches)—but it was not through the Government's action, or the decision of that Assembly—it was the shadow of death that had been created by those who had thrown down the gauntlet to the people of the nation. That day Sean Hales lay dead, who only a few hours ago was full of strength, life, and manhood.

And if they did not crush the menace that threatened the nation the penalty inflicted upon the nation would be the same fate as had been inflicted upon Sean Hales. To-day anarchy was in a deadlock with authority in Ireland, and it was for them to see that anarchy did not emerge alive from the struggle.

ASK FOR AUTHORITY.

Mr. Fitzgibbon, K.C. (Dublin University) said that he had a most profound admiration for the courage with which the Government had acted, but he appealed to them not to let what happened that morning occur again. (Hear, hear.)

He had supported the military resolution of the Government, and if the Government came to the House and told them that stronger methods were necessary to deal with the opposition to organised Government, he would support them to the last. But he did ask them to come there to the House to get authority. He would support them, and they would find a very small minority in that House opposed to them.

He promised that the Government would not find him among their opponents, no matter what authority they asked. At the same time he appealed to the Ministry not to continue the policy which was under debate.

DELIBERATE ACT.

CURATIVE AND DETERRENT.

The Minister for Home Affairs (Mr. O'Higgins) said that what had happened was very sad. The times were very sad and very terrible, and all the events that happened now must be judged and considered in the perspective. There had been talk there of the intense anger that they must have felt last evening, and of the very strong temptation that they were subjected to, but now, he thought, they had got long past anger and past the mere emotional waves of temptation.

There was no ebullition of anger, and not one ran amok when Michael Collins was killed in Cork. There was no intense wave of anger on Thursday evening that caused this thing to be done that morning. Such as it was, it was done deliberately, simply looking at the whole circumstances, and in the belief that only by that method could representative Government or democratic institutions be preserved here. It was at once curative and deterrent.

The members of the Parliament of Ireland must be kept free and safe to perform their duties as members of that Parliament. When one struck at a representative man the crime was peculiarly horrible. Deputies there would remember that within two hours of the shooting of a deputy, who was not of that Parliament, but a deputy of the Northern Parliament, there was a strong denunciation in the Press from the late President Griffith. President Griffith's intention and his instinct were right and sound.

When one struck at a man of a representative character, one struck at the people who gave him his mandate and invested him with his representative character, and therein lay the most criminal aspect of the wretched crime that was committed on Thursday.

It was, of course, a continuation of the crime against the people and against the whole basis of democratic government and democratic thought that had been carried on in this country for fully twelve months now.

There had been talk there of the rules of war and the laws of war. There was more talk of the rules of war, such as they be, than of the practices of war. There were no rules of war; they might be written in a book or get lip-service from philanthropists, but when war broke out they were more honoured in the breach than in the observance.

ONLY ONE CODE.

While the nation's life was at stake there could be only one code, and that a grim code, whereby to judge the actions of those who had been made responsible for the restoration of order there, and that was the code——

Mr. O'Shannon (Louth-Meath)—The Code of Cain.

The Minister for Home Affairs said that the code was the code of the safety and preservation of the people and the nation. When the Army Council came to the Parliament of the Irish nation for their act of indemnity the members of the Executive Council would take their place with them in certifying that act, and would defend all these things that were taking place on the basis that they had to meet force with force. To end a condition which, if enlarged and continued, would smash all democratic institutions, they had to do this thing that was done that morning.

Mr. O'Shannon (Louth and Meath)—Did you get that agreed to in Downing street?

The Chairman called Mr. O'Shannon to order.

The Minister for Home Affairs continued to refer to the present position. The President, who was defeated for the Presidency even in the second Dail, he said, had now in his Council of State men who were refused a mandate from any constituency—men whose representative character was taken from them by the electors of the country; and, fitly enough, that President and that Council of State had a thing which it called an army.

It was no army, but simply had degenerated into a combination of *apaches*. Last December and in the first three months of this year the wind was sown, and if the people who sowed it reaped the whirlwind it was nothing more than they could expect. They could not meet this thing with a rule or a measure tape. The one thing they had to ask themselves was—what was the degree of force that was necessary to smash it? That was their one condition. They had no weapon other than the Army to restore order, and there was no use asking about the Governor-General. The Governor-General did not come into matters of this kind.

GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

Mr O'Shannon (Louth-Meath) asked did the Governor-General not come into a matter of executive action.

The Minister for Home Affairs replied that things had to be regarded in recognition of the fact that there was a state of war. He did not use the expression in a narrow sense, but there was a state of war which took things out of the hands of the civil power and out of the ordinary constitutional machinery of the country. They were not the least frightened when people drew an analogy between them and the British. The situation was radically altered from what it was 18 months ago.

In the early part of the year people stepped deliberately from the fundamental principles of government into anarchy, and they got a lot of silly, neurotic women and silly, neurotic boys to back them in that course. The thing came to a boil, and boiled over in January, and the Government had been grappling with that political creed and that state of anarchy.

When a man had his hands on one's throat and his knees on one's chest, one did not lie there and say that force settled nothing. The Government would very earnestly consider any representation that would enable them to do better in their task.

They wanted to finish that task and place the government in the hands of the Irish people that they might rule according to their will. They would do their duty regardless of any consequence, physical or political, to themselves.

From the day that the Provisional Government was set up there was not an act done or inspired by any motive other than to secure the welfare, safety and freedom of the Irish people, and there was never an act done from personal vengeance, or in hot blood, but they would not acquiesce in any gun-bullying: they would take active measures to stop it.

"Vindictiveness!" concluded the Minister for Home Affairs, "one of these men was a friend of mine."

LAW AND REPRISALS.

Mr. Darrell Figgis (Dublin) said that the question before them was whether the lives of human beings should be taken in Ireland without trial, and whether lives should be taken as a reprisal. Representative institutions were those institutions that made the law by which people should not be slain.

It was stated there on Thursday that Sean Hales was murdered. Why was the word "Murdered" used? Because the person who shot him had no law for that act. Where was the law for the act that morning? ("Hear, hear," from the Labour benches.) He had been asking himself if two men were slain, one on the 6th December and one on the 7th, was there any legal sanction for the one act more than for the other?

He wanted to know the distinction there was.

The Minister for Education (Professor MacNeill) said that there was elementary law and good law for what the Government had done. Every Government was armed with full emergency powers, and when measures of extreme necessity arose there was no limit to those powers. The question was whether the emergency that faced the Government was one of extreme necessity or not. He said that it was.

For some months past there had been a carefully-laid plan to annihilate that form of government in which they were taking part, and that plan was to strike at the Government through the people and through the economic life of the people. The killing of Deputy Hales on Thursday was the entry of that plan on a new phase, and the object of that act was to annihilate the powers of that assembly.

The object was to strike terror into the minds of every member of that assembly. He for one would not shrink from accepting responsibility for seeing that it failed. He ventured to say that in taking the action they did the Government had the full authority of the people of Ireland.

A CHALLENGE.

Under the provisions of the Constitution Deputy Johnson, Deputy Gavan Duffy, or Deputy Cathal O'Shannon could, if they so desired, indict him for murder if they believed that he had committed murder. He challenged them to do so. If they did he would meet them with no evasions as to the facts. The sole question would be whether, under the law, the act that took place that morning—the execution of these four men—was murder or was not murder. Nor did he ask to wait for an indemnity Act.

He had been astonished at the form in which some of the speeches criticising the Government had been cast. He excused these speeches of any evil intent, but he could recall prophecies made within the past twelve months and the work done by those who made them to secure their fulfilment. (Hear, hear.)

He hoped that those who had made evil prophecies there that day would take care that by no act of theirs would they contribute to the fulfilment of them. (Hear, hear.) He denied that he had ever admitted that the Government tried men for one thing and executed them for something else.

It had been said that their act was one of retaliation, but that statement had been sufficiently disposed of by those who spoke before him. Deputy Gavan Duffy accused them of violating Article 70 of the Constitution, but if he read the article he would find that in no particular was the action taken by them that morning a violation of that article.

Deputy O'Shannon had stated that the murder of Sean Hales was a sign of the incompetence of the Government. Did that mean that if their Army had been more efficient that Sean Hales would not have been murdered? If that were so their Army would be more efficient if they created more fear in the minds of those who were opposed to the Government.

REASON FOR ATTACK.

Now, what was at the bottom of the attack upon them? They were told that little boys of the Fianna were going to arm themselves in the future to avenge the death of these men that morning.

Mr. Cathal O'Shannon said that to a great extent the young men of the irregulars were the Fianna of the last few years.

Professor MacNeill said that the irregulars were neither the I.R.A. nor the Fianna. (Hear, hear.) To speak of what these young lads were going to do was extremely reprehensible, owing to the way in which they might be influenced by such things. He might forecast that the very words used by the Deputy that day would be used to stir up and incite these young people.

Mr. Gorey—They were meant for that.

At this remark Alderman O'Brien, Mr. O'Shannon, Mr. Johnson, and other Labour Deputies warmly demanded its withdrawal.

Professor MacNeill said that he had mentioned that he did not think that anything said that evening had been meant to incite people outside.

Mr. Johnson said that the remark had been made by the Minister of Local Government as well as Mr. Gorey. They were both liars.

The Speaker asked Mr. Gorey did he make the statement complained of.

Mr. Gorey—I did. (Cries of "Liar.")

The Speaker—You should withdraw.

Mr. Gorey then withdrew the remark.

The Speaker, turning to the Ministerial benches, asked: "Did the Minister for Local Government say the same?"

Mr. Blythe—I did not say the same, but I said "Hear, hear."

Alderman O'Brien—The "hear, hear," is worthy of the plea he made on his own trial.

Mr. Blythe said he withdrew the remark.

THE PEOPLE'S WILL.

Professor MacNeill said that he was quite prepared to abide by what the Irish people would say. He and his colleagues were there by the authority of the Irish people alone. If the Irish people said that they had done wrong, then they were prepared to give over their charge and responsibility to people with a better sense of what was necessary to carry on the business of the State.

He noticed that one remark would lead them to think that the situation was going to be met by demonstrative retirements from the House, but that was not the way to meet it.

Mr. Johnson (Labour)—I might say that is not our intention.

Professor MacNeill said that he had taken a wrong inference. He claimed, as a member of the Government, responsibility for what the Government had done, and claimed for it the sanction of military law and the verdict of the Irish people.

Mr. Thomas O'Donnell (Mayo, East) said that nothing should be said to incite people outside.

Mr. T. O'Connell (Galway) held that the people against them, these executions were restoring law and order in the country; for the people had come to feel that the state of affairs was such that they must not spare force to put an end to it.

To spare force now would only prolong the present state of affairs, and cause additional bloodshed. They did everything possible to continue a policy of clemency, and it could not be said that they threw people back to irregularism by attacking the Four Courts. If they had not done so the irregulars would have carried out a *coup d'état*, and the Dail would not be there that day.

Mr. Hogan referred to the conspiracy to murder Ministers one by one.

Mr. Johnson said that they admitted that, but they had no right to take a murderer's brother and kill him because of his brother.

Mr. Hogan said that there was an avowed conspiracy in the country to cut the country's throat. Time would show whether the people were behind them.

THE PRESIDENT.

TERROR MEETING TERROR.

The President said he expected that they would get some lead from the deputy who said that they were an incompetent Government. Two deputies came to him last July with a proposal of peace, and he put it to them, would it really mean peace, and that forces would not be used against them, and one deputy could not answer that question.

Mr. O'Shannon said that he answered the question satisfactorily.

The President said that this was a question as to whether or not there was a better policy than the policy the Government had set down, and these persons, well intentioned though they were, had done very serious disservice in taking up the attitude they did.

The present was a psychological question; it was terror meeting terror, and people must not expect civilised methods in dealing with things of that sort.

It would not be possible for them to agree to the representations of the gentlemen opposite. The sum and substance of the case was answered by the Minister of Education.

There was an elementary law in this case. The people who had challenged the very existence of society and put themselves outside the Constitution had to be met, and they had to safeguard the Parliament House from the infamy of these people. Two months ago there was a most diabolical attempt against the guard there.

They were dealing with the dregs of society, people who had no regard for life or property, or all that people held dear. Only the other night he rang up the Commander-in-Chief and inquired about trials, and suggested that this was a time for clemency. He agreed with him. Yet on the day before they struck down Sean Hales, who, for want of a weapon, went into the late war with a hurley stick.

He knew that the irregulars had discussed this question of assassination, and turned it down on paper, but it was left for the gangs to take it up while the people at the top were trying to cast off responsibility. There was only one way to meet this infamy, and that was to crush it and strike terror into them.

Mr. Johnson—Yes.

The President—I see that the time has arrived for the division now (7.30 p.m.).

Mr. Johnson—I never made any protestation of my religion, but I say it is now a case of Christianity *v.* Nietzsche-ism.

A division was taken, and there voted—

For the adjournment	39
Against	14
Majority	25

The Chairman then declared the House adjourned until Tuesday next at 3.0 p.m.

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REV. PROFESSOR JAMES HAIRE, M.A., B.D.,
Assembly's College, Belfast,
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W. T. SMYTH, Secretary.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—An anti-cyclone is developing over the British Isles, and winds will be light and indefinite. Cloud will vary in amount, considerable bright periods occurring in the Eastern and Midland districts, with mist or fog at night; but in the West some rain or drizzle is possible. Frost is likely at night, except in Ireland and the extreme western parts of England.

Ireland.—Wind light and indefinite; generally cloudy at first, cloud probably decreasing later; visibility mainly moderate, but mist in places; moderate temperature.

South-West Seaboard, mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland, Irish Sea and St. George's Channel, North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides.—Wind light and indefinite; mainly cloudy at first, with some rain or drizzle, probably improving; visibility moderate; sea slight.

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HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN BAR.

To-day....Morning 3.16 | Evening 2.43
To-morrow.. ,, ... 3.13 | ,, ... 3.43

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

To-day....Rises .. 8.28 | Sets 4. 7
To-morrow.. ,, .. 8.29 | ,, ... 4. 7
LIGHTING-UP TIME ..... 5.7 P.M.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Gaiety Theatre—"Patience," 2.30 p.m.; "The Mikado," 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"True Irish Hearts," 6.45 and 8.45 p.m.
Empire Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 8.45 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Arms and the Man," 2.30 and 8.15 p.m.
Princess, Rathmines—Pictures, continuous.
Metropole Cinema—Pictures, 3 to 10.30 p.m.
Grafton Picture House—12 to 10.30.
Kingstown Pavilion—Pictures, 3.30 to 6 p.m.; Grand Central Cinema—Pictures, continuous.
Pillar Picture House—Continuous.
Dublin Women's Work Association—Sale of Clothing for the Poor, Diocesan Schoolroom, 41 Molesworth street, 12 to 5 p.m.
M.S.U.W. Dublin Association—Annual Sale, Gregg Memorial Hall, 2 to 6 p.m.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

About twenty men at Liffey Junction last night set fire to the front carriages of the mail train from the West and sent it ahead, the passengers having been confined to the back carriages. An attempt to undo the couplings failed and the passengers had to jump from the burning train. One woman failed to jump and was carried in to the goods yard near Broadstone, where the train stopped.—(P. 7.)

ABROAD

At Lausanne yesterday the discussion on the future régime of the Straits was continued. Ismet Pasha urged the Allies to allow Turkey to fortify the shores. The proceedings were harmonious, although Tchitcherin displayed irritation. All the other States represented at the Conference have approved the Allies' scheme.—(P. 7.)

M. Poincaré and Signor Mussolini arrived in London last night for the reparations conference to-day. There seems little prospect of agreement on a common policy. Great Britain favours a moratorium for Germany; France wishes to impose sanctions.—(P. 7.)

SPORTING.

At Sandown Park yesterday Forest Fire won the Annual Handicap Hurdle Race.—(P. 4.)

COMMERCIAL.

In London yesterday the Stock Markets were uncertain, and prices showed a drooping tendency except for English rails.—(P. 10.)

Treasury bills were tendered for on dearer terms, and discount rates were raised. Foreign exchanges improved.—(P. 10.)

Dublin Market was quiet, with some good price movements.—(P. 10.)

Ministers and Parliament.

The Free State Government has committed itself to an act of "reprisal" which eclipses in sudden and tragic severity the sternest measures of the British Crown during the conflict with *Sinn Fein*. Its defence is that not anger or hatred, but dire necessity, demanded the deaths of the four men who were executed yesterday morning. The Free State's life, which is being attacked through the lives of its Ministers and deputies, must be safeguarded at any cost. With this contention Parliament—including the Labour members who denounced the executions—and the mass of Southern Irishmen are in full agreement. If such crimes as the murder of Deputy Hales are not made impossible, chaos may come again and the country's hardly won freedom may be lost for ever. It is not the policy of repression that provoked strong language yesterday, but the Government's action in presenting Parliament with a *fait accompli* of a novel, startling and most drastic kind. Every friend of peace and order must be extremely reluctant to criticise the Government in these trying days; but, at the least, there will be a general endorsement of Deputy FitzGibbon's hope that Ministers will consult Parliament if, and when, they contemplate similar reprisals in the future. After all, nobody can claim a greater interest in the protection of deputies' lives than the deputies themselves.

The question of the censorship is raised indirectly by a passage in General Mulcahy's speech. He said that on the 27th November the Speaker of the Provisional Parliament received a letter which denounced the Parliament as an illegal body and conveyed warnings of "drastic action" against it. That letter was sent simultaneously to all the Dublin newspapers. We cannot speak for our contemporaries; but the *Irish Times* did not publish the letter because on November 26th it received a "direction" from the Minister for Foreign Affairs that "during the coming week no Irregular propaganda is to be published before being submitted to him for instructions." We dislike censorship on principle, and, therefore, did not submit the letter to the Minister for Foreign Affairs. To-day the Government itself publishes the letter as a part of the justification for yesterday's executions. Is it not possible that this document, which gives "due notice" of a hostile intention to Parliament, might have served a useful purpose if it had been published in the newspapers a fortnight ago? At least it would have deepened the country's appreciation of the difficulties and dangers against which both Government and Parliament are making so firm a stand. We suggest that the present censorship of newspapers ought to be abolished, and that the Irish public is sufficiently intelligent to assess "Irregular" and other propaganda at their true value. "We do ingloriously," said John Milton, "by licensing and prohibiting, to misdoubt the strength of Truth."

London and Brussels.

The centre of political interest in Europe has shifted again, and now all eyes are turned from Lausanne to London. To-day a meeting of Allied Premiers will be held at No. 10 Downing street. M. Poincaré, accompanied by M. Lasteyrie, arrived in London from Paris last evening, while Signor Mussolini has been on his way for some days, having broken his journey at Lausanne, where he had a long conversation with the Marquis Curzon. The London Conference will deal chiefly with the reparations question. Mr. Bonar Law has given the other Allied Ministers clearly to understand that no good purpose can be served by a meeting at Brussels, or anywhere else, with the Germans unless the Allies adopt a common policy in advance. If they can formulate such a policy during the next few days, the Brussels Conference can be called together at the convenience of the Belgian Ministry. If such a policy is impossible, there will be no Brussels Conference, so far, at any rate, as the British Government is concerned. M. Poincaré virtually has staked his political career on the Brussels Conference, and Signor Mussolini is extremely anxious that it shall be held with the least possible delay. As Britain's participation is a *sine qua non*, both the French and the Italian Premiers will be ready to make sacrifices in order to secure it, and, if the opportunity is turned to full advantage by Mr. Bonar Law, full agreement ought to be reached without great difficulty.

French circles are inclined to be pessimistic. When Mr. Lloyd George fell from power and was replaced by a Conservative Premier the whole French Press rejoiced, in the firm belief that a Conservative Government would give M. Poincaré's policy its strong support. The very moderate views which have been expressed by Mr. Bonar Law, however, have caused much disappointment. In the House of Commons on Thursday Mr. E. D. Morel and Mr. Lloyd George both tried by means of leading questions to "draw" the Prime Minister on this subject; but he refused to satisfy their curiosity. One thing, however, is fairly certain. If France insists on the occupation of the Ruhr Valley, or on a further penetration of the Rhenish provinces, she will be forced to act alone; for Britain will not take any part in a new military adventure. Those who claim to know the French plans assert that M. Poincaré is determined to bring armed pressure to bear on Germany, and that, if the other Allies will not consent to instant action, France will adopt independent measures. Such action, of course, would be tantamount to the denunciation by France of the *Entente*. We refuse to believe that M. Poincaré or any other responsible Frenchman would isolate his country in this way. France has everything to gain through Allied unity; she has everything to lose through its impairment.

In the meanwhile it is suggested that a way out of the difficulty may come from an unexpected quarter. Herr Hermes, German Minister of Finance, has announced his intention of making a definite offer in regard to reparations. Pending a settlement of the whole complex question, he said in the Reichstag on Thursday, the German Government was willing to "co-operate in a business-like provisional solution," and had communicated its ideas on the subject to the Allied Governments. The German plan is based on two loans, one internal and the other external, each of 1,500,000,000 gold marks, or £75,000,000. The whole of the external, and half the internal, loan would be devoted to the payment of reparations, while the remaining 750,000,000 gold marks would be used in the stabilisation of the mark exchange. Naturally, a moratorium would be essential to the success of this, or, indeed, any other, scheme; but all the Allies, including the French, have accepted the principle of a moratorium. The essential thing, as the Associated British Chambers of Commerce declared some days ago, is that the German debt shall be fixed at a definite sum, which can be paid by the Germans without detriment to the Allies' trade. If to-day's meeting succeeds in fixing this amount, a great step forward will have been taken. A decision on this point would pave the way for the Brussels Conference, would help the Germans to regulate their financial affairs in a business-like way, and would dispel much of the uncertainty which is causing such vast harm to Europe's credit.

The Lace Industry.

Any tides of adversity or prosperity that befall the City of Nottingham are bound to be reproduced on a smaller scale in Ireland. Nottingham lives by its lace and hosiery trades, both of which industries are pursued in various parts of Ireland, from Londonderry to Cork and from Galway to Wexford. The output of Irish lace has declined in late years, not for want of markets, but for reasons that have affected the production of all the finer handicrafts. The lengthy apprenticeship and the unremitting toil will not be undertaken by the modern worker even for a comparatively high scale of wages. In the case of the hosiery industry Nottingham and Ireland are in the same position. Dublin, Wexford, Cork, Galway, Sligo, Donegal, Londonderry and Belfast export woollen hosiery of the less expensive types that Nottingham also produces in vast quantities. Now Nottingham is feeling the after-the-war pinch, and, no doubt, the Irish firms are similarly affected. Before the war the bulk of the exported woollen hosiery went to the Continent—particularly to Germany, Austria and the Eastern European countries. The collapse of the national currencies has closed these markets. The people cannot afford to buy and the little trade that is left is monopolised by local producers. To-day the bulk of exported woollen hosiery is going to the Dominions; but, though their demand is increasing and they now take two-thirds instead of one-quarter of the output, the total demand is far below what it used to be. The financial regeneration of Europe will improve matters—when it comes.

Cats.

What Ballsbridge is to the horse the Crystal Palace is to the cat. It is in the winter months, however, that cats are at their sleekest, and the early days of December always find the cat-fanciers of the world pitting their feline champions against one another at the National Cat Club's Championship Show. The relations of the cat with man always have been somewhat mysterious. The bones of cats are not found with other neolithic relics, and the Altamira cave-pictures and the bone-scratched efforts of other prehistoric artists do not include grimalkin's likeness. Probably the domestication of the cat was undertaken after civilisation had made some headway. The cat tribe are among the wildest and least tameable of animals, and there would be little hope of domesticating any one species within easy escaping distance of its native jungle. In the sequestered sanctuaries of a Chinese palace or an Egyptian temple succeeding generations of pussies would have a chance to forget the call of the wild. The cult of the cat is extremely ancient in China and Egypt, and it is possible that each nation domesticated the cat independently. The one thing that never will be known is by what subtle influences, exercised over the human mind, the cat wards off well-deserved extinction. Despite its silky fur and wholly undeserved reputation for keeping away the mice, no more unsympathetic and selfish quadruped walks the earth.

STEADFAST RESOLVE.

PRESIDENT COSGRAVE'S REPLY TO MR. BONAR LAW.

The Prime Minister has received the following message from Mr. Cosgrave:—

On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I acknowledge with great appreciation your message of greeting and good-will on the inauguration of the Irish Free State.

We are facing our difficult task, inspired with a steadfast resolve to attain those ends which do now seem appreciably nearer—prosperity, fostered under peaceful and ordered conditions of self-government in Ireland, and the firm establishment of relations of friendly understanding between our two countries.

COSGRAVE,
President of Executive Council of Irish Free State.

A thousand refugees have arrived in Cyprus from Anatolia. Only British subjects, Armenians and Cypriots are allowed to land.

NEW LONDON PLAY.

MR. JACK BUCHANAN IN MANAGEMENT.

FROM OUR DRAMATIC CRITIC.
LONDON, Friday.

Mr. Jack Buchanan—the third new actor-manager to produce a new play during a fortnight—to-night presented at the Oxford Theatre a musical farce in three acts entitled "Battling Butler."

The music, by Mr. Philip Braham, and the beautiful dresses, scenery, and colour scheme, designed by Mr. Hugh Willoughby, were the outstanding features of the evening.

Mr. Buchanan is to be congratulated on his first venture. He has secured a bright, not unamusing piece, but owing to bad throat trouble Miss Phyllis Titmus, who was to have been the leading lady, had to relinquish her part temporarily to Miss Peggy Kurton, who pluckily undertook to play at a very short notice, and obviously had not sufficient time to learn the dances.

Mr. Jack Buchanan and the rest of the company were unnecessarily nervous, and it would be preferable to reserve opinion of this play until it has settled down.

The story, which does not really matter, is all about two Mr. Butlers—a boxer and a dancer. The dancing Butler pretends to be the boxing one, in order to go into training at frequent intervals, and leave his tiresome elderly wife. There are, of course, the inevitable complications, which do not really matter.

But what does matter are the tuneful songs and attractive dances; and as long as Mr. Buchanan was amusing us with his agile legs, and Miss Sidney Fairbrother with her comical personality, everything was all right.

Mr. Fred. Groves and Miss Sylvia Leslie as the "boxing Butlers" were excellent.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Princess Mary will arrive to-day at Chesterfield House, London, for a short stay, and will return to Yorkshire before Christmas, which she and Viscount Lascelles will spend with the Earl and Countess of Harewood at Harewood House. Goldsborough Hall will not be ready for their occupation before the new year.

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Prince Henry was one of the Dowager Lady Nunburnholme's guests at Warter Priory this week, when some excellent sport was obtained. The guests invited to meet His Royal Highness included the Duke and Duchess of Sutherland, the Duke and Duchess of Roxburghe, the Earl and Countess of Chesterfield, Lady Sarah Wilson, Viscount and Viscountess Cranborne, Lord Lovat, Lord Dalmeny, and the Hon. Mr. Eric Chaplin.

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The Earl of Lichfield, who is thirty-nine to-day, was an A.D.C. and Acting Master of the Horse on the Viceregal Staff during the second Viceroyalty of the Marquis of Aberdeen and Temair. He is the eldest son of the fourth Earl, whom he succeeded in 1918, and prior to that time, as Viscount Anson, he held a captain's commission in the 5th Battalion of the London Rifle Brigade. He married a daughter of Colonel Edward G. Keppel, and their family consists of two sons and one daughter.

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The Marchioness of Londonderry, who has been staying at Mount Stewart, will return to Londonderry House next week. Her father, Viscount Chaplin, arrived there at the beginning of the week. The Countess of Clonmell and her daughter have moved into the new house in Gloucester place, London, which Lord Clonmell has taken on a long lease. Viscount and Viscountess Powerscourt have returned to Powerscourt, Bray, from England. The Bishop of Meath and the Hon. Mrs. Plunket have returned to Navan. Lady Horne and her daughter are hunting in Northamptonshire, and will spend Christmas in London. Miss Horne's marriage to Captain Hewson will take place in London next February.

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Sir Otway Wheeler-Cuffe, Bart., Chief Superintending Engineer of Public Works, Burma, is fifty-six to-day. He has held many appointments in the Far East, and was at one time A.D.C. to the Viceroy of India. He is the son of the late Major Otway Wheeler-Cuffe and nephew of the second Baronet, whom he succeeded in 1915. Sir Richard Wheeler, Kt., father of the first Baronet, assumed the additional name of Cuffe.

Major Sir Hervey R. Bruce, Bart., celebrates his fiftieth birthday to-day. He was formerly in the Irish Guards and served through the South African War. He succeeded his father as fifth Baronet in 1919, and married, in 1916, the daughter of the Rev. Robert Jackson, of Newmarket. They have two sons and one daughter.

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"TERROR MUST BE MET BY TERROR."

—MR. COSGRAVE.

WHY FOUR EXECUTIONS TOOK PLACE.

PLOT TO MURDER DAIL MEMBERS.

LABOUR PARTY'S STRONG PROTEST.

Four leaders who surrendered after the fight for the Four Courts on June 30th were executed yesterday morning at Mountjoy Jail.

In the afternoon the matter was raised in the Dail. The Labour members and Mr. Gavan Duffy made a strong protest against the executions, and the Government made a vigorous defence. A division was taken, and 39 members supported the Government, while 14 voted against it.

THE ATTACK.

The following are some of the more striking passages in the speeches:

Mr. Thomas Johnson—The assassination of Sean Hales was a dastardly thing—murder most foul; but this (the executions) was murder most foul, bloody, and, unnatural. There was no pretence of legality. There was not even a trial according to the rules that were authorised. I am almost forced to say that I believe you have killed the new State at its birth.

Mr. Gavan Duffy—The imagination is staggered by the idea that any group of men calling themselves an Executive authority could be driven so far from the ordinary course of human understanding of things as to sanction such an act as that. This deed violates the Constitution.

Mr. O'Shannon—These four men were murdered. The Government is unfit to govern.

THE DEFENCE.

The Minister for Defence—This action was taken because there are forces working around us to-day more vicious and more insidious than Britain ever employed against representative government in Ireland. There is a plot to assassinate the members of the Government one by one.

The Minister for Home Affairs—It was done deliberately, and in the belief that only by that method could representative government and democratic institutions be preserved here. It was at once curative and deterrent.

Mr. Sean Milroy—The nation is struggling with anarchy. We must steel our hearts and see that anarchy does not emerge alive from the struggle.

The Minister for Education—Every Government has power to deal with extreme emergencies. We have not violated the Constitution.

The President—A diabolical conspiracy is on foot. Terror must be met by terror. I know that our opponents have discussed a policy of assassination and have turned it down on paper, but their gangs have taken it up.

THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

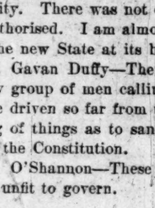
The following is the text of the official report issued yesterday afternoon from the Army Headquarters, Portobello Barracks, Dublin:—

The execution took place this morning at Mountjoy Jail of the following persons taken in arms against the Irish Government:—

RORY O'CONNOR, JOSEPH McKELVEY, and
LIAM MELLOWS, RICHARD BARRETT,

as a reprisal for the assassination on his way to Dail Eireann on the 7th December of Brigadier Sean Hales, T.D., and as a solemn warning to those associated with them who are engaged in a conspiracy of assassination against the representatives of the Irish people.

CAREERS OF THE FOUR DEAD LEADERS.

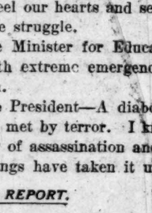


MR. RORY O'CONNOR, who was about 40 years of age, was a native of Dublin, and a prominent leader of the Anti-Treaty Party. In April last, with a number of men, he took possession of the Four Courts, which were barricaded and held until early in July.

On the 28th of June the building was attacked by national troops, and after a few days the occupants found their position untenable. Some of them escaped, but others, including Mr. O'Connor, were compelled to surrender. Since then he had been kept in custody in Mountjoy Jail. Mr. O'Connor was Clerk of Dail Eireann in 1919, when that body held secret meetings. An engineer by profession, he was made Director of Engineering by the I.R.A., and he was active in the campaign against the British forces. When the Irish Treaty was signed in December he vigorously opposed its passage through the Dail.

MR. R. O'CONNOR.

Mr. O'Connor had been employed in the Engineering Department of the Dublin Corporation.



MR. LIAM MELLOWS.

MR. LIAM MELLOWS was connected with the Volunteer movement for a number of years, and during the early stages of the European war was sentenced to a term of imprisonment for sedition. He was deported from Ireland, but returned, and participated in the insurrection of 1916, when he led the insurgent forces in the County Galway.

When the fighting was over he escaped to America, where he played a leading part in organising forces that supported the Sinn Fein movement. On his return to Ireland he was elected for two constituencies—Galway and Meath. From 1921 until the truce was signed on July 11, 1921, he was actively engaged in obtaining munitions of war, and played a leading part in the activities of the time. Like Mr. Rory O'Connor, he was strongly opposed to the Irish Treaty, and took part in the occupation of the Four Courts. Early this year he participated in the abortive Irish peace conference. At the general election in June last he lost his seat in the Dail.

Mr. Mellowes was captured on the surrender of the Four Courts, and has since been detained in military custody.

MR. J. MCKELVEY was a native of the North of Ireland, and a boiler-maker by trade. He was about 35 years of age, and was Commandant of the Northern Division of the I.R.A. during the movement against the British forces in Ireland. He took the anti-Treaty side, and, remaining in Dublin after the Treaty had been signed, was associated with the Belfast boycott ordered by the occupants of the Four Courts, which had then been seized by Mr. Rory O'Connor and his followers. He was captured after the surrender of the Courts.

MR. RICHARD BARRETT had been in Mountjoy Jail since his capture with the Four Courts garrison. He took part in the revolt against the British in 1919-21, and subsequently was a leading member of the Executive which opposed the Treaty.

DAIL DEBATE.

OUTSPOKEN SPEECHES BY MINISTERS AND DEPUTIES.

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

A tense debate took place in Dail Eireann yesterday on the Mountjoy executions. It was obvious from the opening of the session that the proceedings were going to be heated, as at the very outset there was a cross-fire between the Ministerial and Labour benches.

Mr. Johnson, finding that he could not raise the question at the beginning, moved the suspension of Standing Orders to discuss it. His motion led to the first division of the Parliament. It was defeated by 44 to 14 votes.

Leave was given to the deputy to raise the matter on the adjournment. As the only business on the agenda was the election of a Committee to appoint Ministers who shall not be members of the Executive Council, and, as Labour, as a protest, withdrew its nominations to the Committee, the House was soon involved in a keen debate.

"MURDER MOST FOUL."

Mr. Johnson referred with regret to the murder of Deputy Hales, and described the four executions that day as "murder most foul, bloody and unnatural." The four executed men had been in the charge of the Government for five months, and it was their duty as guardians of the law to care for them. Because one man was assassinated, the Government announced, apparently with pride, that they had executed four of their prisoners.

He wondered whether any member of the Government who had any regard for the good name and safety of the State would stand over an act of this kind. He was almost forced to say that they had killed the new State at its birth.

Mr. Gavan Duffy declared that the Government should remember that they were a Government and had duties as such. There was a time when their name stood high in the world. He wondered if there was any country to do them reverence now. When the people realised the full meaning of this deed they would not acquiesce in an act officially described as retaliation.

"TO SAVE THE COUNTRY."

General Mulcahy, speaking with great deliberation, said that it was necessary to take exceptional and drastic action to prevent a continuance of the policy of assassination which began with the murder of Sean Hales.

When the work of the Army was done they were determined to leave an Irish people behind them. The action which they had taken was taken as a deterrent to secure that the country should not be destroyed and reduced to chaos.

Mr. O'Shannon condemned the Government as being incompetent and unfit to govern. It had started on its career with a crime of treason against the State. Where, he asked, did the Governor-General come in in this affair? These four men had been murdered. The Government had smashed the Free State.

GUNMEN MUST BE PUT DOWN.

Mr. Milroy declared that the Irish nation was in the grip of anarchy and assassination, and its right to make its will articulate was being challenged. It had to steel its heart against the attacks of the gunmen. The shadow which hovered over the country arose, not from Government action, but from that of those who had flung down the gauntlet to the Irish nation.

The action of the gunmen in some of the six counties made a mockery of the invitation to the people of the North-East to enter the Free State.

Mr. Gerald FitzGibbon (Dublin University)

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THREAT TO THE SPEAKER.

PUBLICATION BY GOVERNMENT.

MR. DE VALERA'S POSITION.

The statement given below was issued by the Free State Government last night:

Apropos of the murder of Sean Hales, T.D., a representative of the people, and of the attempted murder of Padraig O Maille, T.D., another representative, the following letter, which was received by the Speaker, Dail Eireann, on the 27th ulto., is issued:—

SIR,—The illegal body over which you preside has declared war on the soldiers of the Republic and suppressed the legitimate Parliament of the Irish nation.

As your "Parliament" and Army Headquarters well know, we on our side have at all times adhered to the recognised rules of warfare. In the early days of this war we took hundreds of your forces prisoners, but accorded to them all the rights of prisoners of war and, over and above, treated them as fellow-countrymen and former comrades. Many of your soldiers have been released by us three times, although captured with arms on each occasion. But the prisoners you have taken you have treated barbarously and, when helpless, have tortured, wounded and murdered them.

We have definite proof that many of your senior officers, including members of your "Parliament," have been guilty of most brutal crimes towards the I.R.A. prisoners, and have reduced your soldiers to a state of savagery in some areas.

Finally, you are now pretending to try I.R.A. prisoners before your make-believe courts. You have already done to death five after such mock ceremonials. You now presume to murder and transport the soldiers who had brought Ireland victory when you, traitors, surrendered the Republic twelve months ago.

Next to the members of your "Provisional Government" every member of your body who voted for this resolution, by which you pretend to make legal the murder of soldiers, is equally guilty. We, therefore, give you and each member of your body due notice that, unless your army recognises the rules of warfare in the future, we shall adopt very drastic measures to protect our forces.

(Signed.) CHIEF OF STAFF
(For Army Council).

It is of importance at this stage to recall that on the 31st October, long before any executions were carried out, the irregular "A.A.C.S." wrote to a "Command Adjutant" as follows:—

(2) Could you arrange to keep regularly in touch with the President—*i.e.*, Mr. de Valera? It would be well that we should have his opinion on proposed military action, as it may affect his Cabinet. You might get his opinion on the following:—

"The issuing of a Proclamation declaring P.O. illegal, and that after a certain date anyone attending their Parliament is liable to suffer a traitor's fate."

On the 21st ultimo a "Proclamation" was actually issued by Mr. de Valera declaring Dail Eireann an "illegal body," and that each and every member "is guilty of rebellion against the Republic."

It is of importance also to recall that, in a document issued on the 13th ultimo, addressed "To each Member of the Army Council, O/C, Northern Command," Mr. de Valera nominated his "Cabinet," and took joint responsibility for military action with the Irregular "Chief of Staff," in the following paragraph:—

"In regard to Defence, the C/S. agrees that, for the present, the best plan would be that his name and mine should appear on any official documents relating to the Department of Defence."

LABOUR'S ATTITUDE.

RESPONSIBLE TO NATIONAL EXECUTIVE ONLY.

Mr. Thomas Johnson, Secretary of the Irish Labour Party, recently received a letter from Mr. Liam Lynch, stating that "the continued participation of your party in the proceedings of this illegal Parliament can only be construed by us as intentional co-operation with enemy forces in the murder of our soldiers, a great proportion of whom are drawn from the ranks of labour."

A reply, which was sent by the National Executive of the party on the 5th inst., stated:—

"The Parliamentary Labour Party is responsible for its actions to the organised workers of Ireland, and to them alone. It is the function of this National Executive to interpret the opinion and will of Labour in this country. If the elected representatives transgress, it is the duty of the National Executive to deal with them. They are not accountable to any other organisation."

MILITARY FUNERAL IN CORK.

HIGH MASS FOR DEPUTY HALES AT PRO-CATHEDRAL.

The remains of the late Brigadier Hales were removed last night at 8.30 from Jervis street Hospital to the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street.

To-day at 11 a.m. solemn Requiem High Mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late Brigadier Hales.

The remains will be taken later to Cork by boat. The funeral arrangements of the South will be in the hands of the military.

The body of Brigadier-General Sean Hales, National Army, was removed last night shortly after 8.30 from Jervis street Hospital to Marlborough street Cathedral.

It was escorted by a guard of honour of the National Army, and was received at the Cathedral by the Rev. Michael Murphy, C.C.

Amongst those in the funeral *cortège* were:—Major-General Liam Tobin, representing the Governor-General; Commandant-General Sean O'Connell, Major-General T. Cullen and Captain Brendan Barry, representing the O.C. 2nd Eastern Division; Captain Martin MacKenna, representing the G.O.C., Eastern Command; Staff Captain R. Hegarty, representing the Commander-in-Chief; Staff Captain Coughlan, of the Commander-in-Chief's Department; Lieutenant Patrick Lambe, representing the 1st Western Division; Captain T. Doherty, and Captain T. Byrne. The last-named was in charge of the guard of honour, who marched with arms reversed after the hearse. Respectful crowds lined the route from the hospital to the Cathedral.

As the coffin was borne into the Cathedral and to its resting place on the catafalque the organist, Mr. Brendan Rogers, played Beethoven's Funeral March. A guard remained around the coffin during the night. To-day, after solemn Requiem Mass at 11 o'clock, the body will be taken from the Cathedral to the North Wall, where it will be placed on board a steamer for the journey to the dead Brigadier's native county of Cork, where the burial will take place. The steamer, however, will not sail until 5 p.m.

POLITICAL TENSION.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING POSTPONED.

Owing to the present tension the Senate has decided to postpone till after Christmas the opening meeting of the University College (Dublin) Historical Society's session. The meeting was to have been held last night, the subject of the Auditor's address being, "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity."

Several members of the Senate of Calcutta University have issued a public appeal for funds, in response to which one hundred members of the Bar have subscribed Rs.18,000 ($1,200).

INQUEST ON SHOT DEPUTY.

'WILFUL MURDER' BLOW AT POPULAR GOVERNMENT.

"A NATIONAL LOSS."

SOLDIER'S STORY OF THE PURSUIT.

"Brigadier Sean Hales died on 7th inst. from shock and hemorrhage, following a bullet wound through the heart, inflicted by some persons unknown—in our opinion, wilful murder."

The above verdict was returned by the City Coroner's jury at the inquiry conducted by Dr. Louis Byrne last evening at Jervis street Hospital, Dublin, after hearing the remarkable evidence of the British soldier who caused the men who killed Brigadier Hales and wounded the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Patrick O Maille.

"MOST APPALLING TRAGEDY."

Mr. M. A. Corrigan, Chief State Solicitor, on behalf of the Government, declared at the opening of the inquest that it would reveal one of the most appalling tragedies that had yet happened in the city or elswhere in the country.

Deceased had been "engaged in the late war, and fought in forty or fifty engagements," said Mr. Corrigan.

He was an elected member of the people, being a member of the Dail. For the last two or three months he had been living constantly in Dublin and acting in a purely civilian capacity as the chairman of one of the Dail Commissions—the Commission on Agriculture, on which he was a recognised authority.

He had also been attending to his duties as a member of the Dail when that assembly was sitting.

On Thursday afternoon he had been on his way to the Dail to carry out his duties to his constituents. He was accompanied by the Deputy Speaker of the Dail when he was shot, under circumstances which would be detailed by witnesses.

NO MURDER MORE BASE.

"Such a murder as this," continued Mr. Corrigan, "is a blow at representative Government, and as such no murder could be more base. I am satisfied, as you will be after hearing the evidence, that this was cold-blooded, premeditated, deliberate murder.

"Deceased sustained such shocking injuries that, although he was driven immediately from the corner of Capel street to this institution, he was practically dead on arrival."

Mr. P. J. O Maille, proprietor of the Ormond Hotel, and a cousin of the wounded Deputy Speaker, gave evidence of identification. He said that he last saw Brigadier Sean Hales about 2.45 p.m. on Thursday with Senator Cuolahan and the Deputy Speaker as they were leaving the Ormond Hotel after lunch.

He said good-bye to them, and saw them on the street. Later he heard several shots, and he rushed to the door.

He saw the side-car on which the two deputies had driven away at the corner of the National Bank, adjoining Capel street. Mr. Hales lay prostrate on the left-hand seat of the car, and Mr. O Maille was sitting erect on the opposite side. The horse was going at full speed at the time.

On looking down the quay witness saw an English military officer, with an armoured car, about a hundred yards from the hotel.

The car was at the entrance to a side street, down which the officer was firing with a revolver. Witness saw no men running.

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE.

Dr. MacNamara, house surgeon, Jervis street Hospital, said that Brigadier Hales was admitted to the institution at about 2.50 o'clock in the afternoon. On examination life was found to be extinct.

Death, in witness's opinion, was due to shock and hemorrhage, following a bullet wound through the heart.

In reply to Mr. Corrigan, witness produced a revolver bullet which, he said, had been found in the Brigadier's clothing. The bullet had passed through some portion of the body.

DRIVER'S EVIDENCE.

DID NOT SEE THE ATTACKERS.

John Kennedy, of 48 Capel street, a car-driver, said that at about 2.40 p.m. he got a call to go over to the Ormond Hotel.

He went over, and two gentlemen came out of the hotel and got on the car. They gave him no directions where to go. A minute or so later a third gentleman came out of the hotel and engaged them for a little while in conversation.

He then went away, and witness, thinking that they were about to start, took the rug off the horse. Simultaneously four shots rang out. Mr. O Maille said, "Shift as quick as you can," and witness drove on the horse in a gallop.

Brigadier Hales was on the left-hand side of the car, next to the Ormond Hotel, and Mr. O'Maille was on the other side. Witness did not see any men with revolvers.

The shots seemed to come from different directions, and, as far as he remembered, shots were fired after they had left.

PURSUIT DESCRIBED.

SOLDIER COULD RECOGNISE ONE OF THE MURDERERS.

Lance-Corporal Frederick Haines (Tank Corps), of the British forces, stationed at Marlborough Barracks, said that on Thursday afternoon he was in charge of an armoured car on the quays.

When he approached East Arran street his attention was attracted by civilians scattering at the corner of Capel street. He observed on the opposite side of the Ormond Hotel two civilians running, with revolvers in their right hands.

A British lorry just then passed by witness's own car, and he thought that an attack had been made on it. The two civilians turned down Arran street, and witness was too late to turn his car after them. Consequently, he jumped out and, drawing his revolver, called on them to halt.

They took no notice, but continued running. Witness fired one round from his revolver. Simultaneously, the smaller of the two civilians turned into a side street on the left of Arran street. The taller man went down the next street to the left—a matter of fifteen yards. Witness saw that further pursuit was useless, "and left it at that."

The driver had remained in the car all the time. Witness recognised, and would recognise, the shorter one of the two civilians. He had seen the man referred to daily while on patrol in the armoured car.

WHAT THE CONSTABLE SAW.

Constable Cunningham, of the D.M.P., told the Court that he was on duty on Grattan Bridge at the time of the occurrence. He heard some shots fired near the Ormond Hotel. He had not a clear view of the hotel at the moment, as a tramcar had just turned around Capel street. Immediately afterwards he saw civilians running in different directions. He went up towards the Ormond Hotel, where he met the proprietor, Mr. O'Maille. The latter told him that there had been shooting, but by that time there was nobody about. Witness then went to Jervis street Hospital and made inquiries about the two gentlemen who had been conveyed there.

Constable Hickey, of the Bridewell, said that he was outside the Bank of Ireland on Ormond quay in the afternoon, when he heard some shooting. He walked down the street and saw people rushing in all directions. The shooting had by that time ceased.

This concluded the evidence, and the Coroner, in his summing-up, said that he did not think there would be any difficulty, on the part of the jury, in bringing in a verdict of wilful murder.

The jury, without retiring, returned the verdict set out above.

Mr. Carrigan said that a national loss had been sustained by the death of Brigadier Hales, and he had been asked to convey the sympathy of the authorities to deceased's relatives.

The jury concurred in the expression of sympathy.

PROBLEM OF THE STRAITS.

ISMET PLEADS FOR FORTIFICATIONS.

TCHITCHERIN DISPLAYS IRRITATION.

The following official *communiqué* was issued in Lausanne last night:—"The No. 1 (Territorial Questions) Commission resumed, at 4 o'clock, the discussion on the *régime* of the Straits. Lord Curzon made known the view of the Allied Governments on the points raised at the preceding session by Ismet Pasha.

"Baron Hayashi expresses the hope that an agreement would shortly be reached between the Allied and Turkish views.

M. Tchitcherin reserved the right of the Russian delegation to define its attitude when it was in possession of the detailed texts.

"The date of the next session will be fixed later.

"The No. 2 (Economic and Financial) Commission met at 5 o'clock, under the presidency of M. Barrere, to take note of the report of the Sub-Committee for Communications. With the exception of three articles, which were referred back to the Sub-Committee, the Commission approved unanimously the submitted proposals."

NOT OFFENDED FOR 500 YEARS.

Reuter's Correspondent telegraphs:—In his statement before No. 1 Commission this morning, Ismet Pasha said that he had studied the Allies' plan with great care. The Turks, he pointed out, had been masters of the Straits for 500 years, and Turkey had never offended against Treaties dealing with the Straits.

It was necessary to fortify the Straits; no other Power was deprived of the right to defend its capital. In certain eventualities there would naturally be a rush to the Straits, and thus the temptation, to hasten an act of war, fortification was the only means of preventing it.

Ismet Pasha said that in case of war Turkey would be content with indispensable technical control. The Sea of Marmora, he contended, should not be included in the word "Straits," for the defences of the Sea of Marmora were necessary for the defence of Anatolia and Thrace. He urged further that the Bosphorus should not be demilitarised.

RUSSIA'S DISARMAMENT IDEAL.

M. Tchitcherin said that historical precedents reinforced the Russian case, and went on to argue that the Panama Canal was fortified, but was open in time of war to merchant ships.

He declared that Russia's proposals were not ideal ones for Russia, and that the ideal solution was to put an end to all naval armaments.

Later M. Tchitcherin made the following suggestion. If our proposals for closing the Straits to warships are adopted, Russia would agree to a special conference of the Black Sea Powers to examine and report upon the conditions in the Black Sea.

The whole proceedings were friendly and tranquil, M. Tchitcherin being the only one to display irritation.

M. Ducs, Roumania; M. Spalaikovitch, Yugo Slavia; M. Stambouliaks, Bulgaria, and M. Venizelos, Greece, announced that their respective Governments accepted the Allied proposals regarding the freedom of the Straits.

The Commission rose at half-past five o'clock. It will probably meet again on Monday. The proceedings were quite normal, but something rather like a breeze with M. Tchitcherin occurred at the end.

KENMARE RETAKEN.

NATIONAL ARMY REPORTS.

The National Army Headquarters issued the following official reports last night:—

"Kenmare was re-occupied by national troops at 1.15 a.m. on the 6th inst. Dublin Guards, under Brigadier Daly, landed at Dinish Island, and advanced from the South. A detachment of 1st Western Division troops, under Colonel-Commandant Hogan, advanced from Killarney on the North side, while forces under Commandant Griffin operated along the Northern shore of the Kenmare River. In the re-occupation of the town a large number of prisoners, with military equipment, were taken."

"Troops belonging to the 5th Northern Division captured a Lewis gun and 11 drums of ammunition at Edentubber, in the Dundalk area."

"Troops making a search in the Staplestown area, County Carlow, arrested two active irregulars named Edward Snoddy, Carlow, and John Shaw, Bennerkerry, Carlow. Dispatches were found on Snoddy. In a barn at the back of the house in which the arrests were made, a fully-loaded Colt revolver and some shot-gun cartridges were found.

"In an engagement between troops and irregulars at Shangarry, County Carlow, an irregular named J. Carroll, Rhanna, Borris, was killed. Another irregular named J. Toole was wounded, and two others named E. Kane, Woodlands, Castledermot, and H. Rourke, Tinahely, Co. Wicklow, captured. Four rifles, 95 rounds .303 ammunition and three grenades, were also taken."

DAIL COMMITTEE

TO SELECT MINISTERS.

In the Dail yesterday, the Speaker announced the names of the Committee which will appoint Ministers who shall not be members of the Executive Council. The names were given as follows:—Walter Cole, Peter Hughes, Daniel McCarthy, James N. Dolan, W. Thrift, W. J. Hennessy, Daniel Vaughan, Andrew Lavin, Patrick J. McGoldrick, James Murphy, George Nicholls, Thomas O'Donnell, Thomas Johnson, D. J. Gorey, and William O'Brien.

SENATE COMPLETE.

SIR HUTCHESON POE ACCEPTS INVITATION.

It is now definitely ascertained that Sir Hutcheson Poë, Ballinakill, Leix, has accepted nomination to the Senate.

[When the President's list was read out at the Dail on Wednesday evening, Sir Hutcheson Poë's name was omitted, as his reply had not been received then. He communicated his acceptance of the nomination as soon as he received the invitation.]

WRECKING AN ENGINE.

OUTRAGE AT KILLURIN.

Armed men on Thursday night at Killurin station, Dublin and South-Eastern Railway, compelled the driver, fireman, guard, and passengers to leave the Wexford-Waterford train, detached the engine and sent it at full speed against an obstruction on the line. The engine left the rails and dashed over an embankment into the River Slaney, a depth of 60 feet. The damage to the engine is estimated at £1,000. Passengers by the train were put to great inconvenience, some of them having to remain out of doors all night.

THE NEW DEPARTURE.

New tactics were adopted in derailment of a train between Durrow and Waterford on Thursday night, when a passenger train, due to arrive in Waterford at 6.30, was wrecked at a point one and a half miles from Durrow Station. It appears that portion of the line had been lifted, and towards this the train was allowed to run, no warning being given. On arriving at the dismantled portion of the line the engine and carriages left the rails and toppled over, the carriages and guard's van being piled indiscriminately on top of, and behind the, engine. It is stated that no passengers were on board, but as the result of the crash the guard and pilot man travelling with the train sustained slight injuries. The driver and fireman had a narrow escape.

Inquiry at the company's Waterford offices yesterday elicited the fact that the train has been very badly wrecked and the line completely blocked.

Traffic has been suspended, the trains being unable to proceed further than Kilmacthomas, fourteen miles from Waterford City.

TRAIN SET ABLAZE AND STARTED.

PASSENGERS' JUMP FOR LIFE.

WOMAN'S TERRIBLE PLIGHT.

DASH INTO BROADSTONE

DRIVER'S PLUCK AVERTS DISASTER.

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

At Liffey Junction (Midland Great Western Railway) last evening armed men set fire to the mail train from the West while the passengers were still in it, and the latter, numbering about fifty, and including five women, had remarkable escapes from death or serious injury.

The train, bringing passengers and mails from Galway and Sligo, arrived at the junction at 7.30. Tickets had been checked and collected at Kilcock, and the passengers expected a clear run into the Broadstone Terminus.

When the train stopped at the junction armed men made their appearance at the carriage windows, and ordered all the passengers to get out. When the travellers obeyed they were marshalled on the platform, and ordered to enter the rearmost carriages.

The men, none of whom, according to passengers who have been interviewed, appeared to be more than eighteen years of age, all carried revolvers, and while some of them "covered" the people, others "attended to" the driver and fireman, both of whom were compelled to leave the footplate.

SPRINKLING PETROL.

Some of the "hold-up" party then produced tins of petrol, with which they sprinkled the empty carriages in the front part of the train.

While they were engaged upon this task a number of their comrades tried to uncouple these carriages from those into which the passengers had been crowded. This they failed to do.

Meantime the petrol-sprinklers, having emptied their tins, had set fire to the foremost carriages, time being obviously the essence of the contract.

The men who had been trying unsuccessfully to uncouple the train abandoned the attempt, and some of them, boarding the footplate, started the locomotive, jumping off the moment it began to move.

THE TRAIN ABLAZE.

As the blazing train moved off they appeared suddenly to realise that it was taking the passengers with it, and shouted to them to "jump for it!"

Some of the travellers who, despite the menace of the revolvers, had been watching the operations of the armed men, had already told their fellow-passengers what was happening and all were in a state of excitement and alarm.

They did not need a second bidding to risk the jump from the train which, as yet had acquired no great speed, and, opening all possible doors, leaped and fell on the permanent way. Some of them sustained slight bruises and scratches, the women, who were hampered by their clothing, faring worst.

PANIC-STRICKEN WOMAN.

One woman remained in a carriage and could be seen standing panic-stricken at the open doorway as the blazing train gathered speed. Then it swept round a curve in the line and out of sight.

While the passengers who had made their escape were picking themselves up, the armed men were making their way across the fields in the direction of the Cabra road, and they lost no time in disappearing.

The railway officials at Liffey Junction advised the stranded travellers to remain at the station until word was received from the Broadstone. All acted on this advice, and in a very short time a light engine and some carriages were sent out to bring them into the terminus.

At the Broadstone they learned that the runaway train had been diverted by the points into the "yard," and had come to a stop just outside the sheds. The woman had remained in the carriage and had sustained no injury, but was naturally suffering somewhat from shock.

Railway employés, startled at the sight of the "up" mail coming into the goods yard instead of to the passenger terminus, quickly realised what was wrong, and hastened to extinguish the flames, which they did without much difficulty.

Dr. Dillon, Roscommon, who was a passenger by the mail, attended to the superficial injuries of his fellow-travellers while waiting for the relief train at Liffey Junction.

HOW THE TRAIN WAS STOPPED.

A later report states that the train which was fired was the second part of the limited mail. This part came from Mayo, and should have connected with the other part at Athlone, but failed to do so, and followed the Galway and Sligo part as a separate train.

The Mayo train was compelled to stop at Liffey Junction because the signals were against it, and whilst it was thus detained the armed men made their appearance. One of the passengers says that after firing the carriages in the front of the train the armed men ordered the guard to uncouple the rearmost carriages, but there was not time to do this before the engine was started.

The explanation of the engine's coming to a stop in the yard outside the Broadstone Station lies in the fact that the driver managed, as the train was starting, to get on the footplate from the side opposite to the armed men, and keeping hidden until the engine was around the curve of the permanent way, was able to stop it in the nick of time.

Miss Mullally, Ballina, is reported to have had her teeth knocked out by falling as she jumped from the moving train. Her mother is suffering from shock.

FIRE-SWEPT TOWN.

Reuter's Correspondent in Portland, Oregon, telegraphs that the town of Astoria (14,000 people) is being swept by fire. Up to eight o'clock yesterday morning twenty "blocks" of business premises had been destroyed.

The flames had eaten under the pavements, and the piles on which the town is built were on fire. The firemen were unable to cope with this development.

Two lives have been lost. The damage had been estimated at well over four million dollars.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

ALLIES AND EUROPE.

THE PRIME MINISTERS' CONFERENCE.

"THE TIMES" OF TO-DAY SAYS:—

The task of the moment is simple and difficult. It is that of making peace continually productive, of bringing home to Germany, who rebelled against the unity of Europe, the significance of her defeat, the lessons of the peace imposed upon her, and the imperative necessity that she shall repair to the full extent of her capacity the evil that she has wrought. On this fundamental postulate for the recovery of Europe there are not and never have been any differences of opinion between the Allies.

There have been hints during the last few days that the German Government were preparing some plan which might be more nearly in accord with all the Allies' wishes than any proposals that have hitherto come from Germany. We believe in the ultimate achievement of peace, and we hold that in consolidating peace every political and economic resource must be tested to the full. We believe that in their consultations on the guardianship of peace the Allied Prime Ministers will be able to see clearly the extent of these still unexhausted resources.

NAVAL STRENGTH.

THE ONE-POWER STANDARD.

In a leading article on "The One-Power Standard," *The Times* refers to the question of the building of the two capital ships authorised by the Naval Disarmament Treaty, and says:—We may agree with Lord Salisbury, that in view of the pressure of business with which the Government have had to deal since they came into office, it is not surprising that they have not yet announced their decision, though it may be expected, he says, within the course of the next week. In any case the considerations which they had to weigh were extremely difficult and complicated. Unless they were fully convinced that the new ships were indispensable to the national safety, they were bound to pause before committing themselves to the very heavy expenditure, direct or indirect, which their building must entail.

The result of their deliberations, we trust, will be a decision in favour of proceeding to lay them down. In our opinion, there is no doubt that that is the right course to take. There was a time when this country, proud of its long and glorious naval history, and because of its geographical position as a small island, responsible for the defence and safety of its huge world Empire, clung fixedly to the ideal of a two-Power standard. That ideal it has voluntarily relinquished, not only because of its heavy cost, but with the wish, too, to fall in with the suggestion of limiting naval armaments, and so diminishing the risk of war. But since that risk still exists there is a point beyond which it is impossible to go without incurring grave dangers and discouraging and disheartening the officers and men charged with the country's defence.

EGYPTIAN DISCOVERIES.

RESEARCH WORK.

The Times says:—Dr. Alan Gardiner will accept the invitation of Mr. Howard Carter to undertake the philological work in connection with the papyri found in the outer chamber of the tomb in the Valley of Kings near Luxor, discovered by Lord Carnarvon and Mr. Carter.

On December 27 Dr. Gardiner will leave for Cairo, there to join Professor Breasted, of Chicago, the leading living historian of Egypt, with whom he will collaborate in research connected with the earliest version of the Book of the Dead, a collection of incantations ensuring the welfare of the dead which is very frequently inscribed in the interior of sarcophagi of from the ninth to the twelfth dynasty, or from about 2,200 to 2,000 B.C.

TURKS AND LAUSANNE.

IMPROVED FEELING AT CONSTANTINOPLE.

The Times Correspondent at Constantinople writes:—The latest news from Lausanne in regard to the questions of the Straits, minorities and the public debt has resulted in an improvement of feeling here. The Turks are less pessimistic, although the Press continues its attacks on British policy.

UNIONIST CONFERENCE.

STATE HELP FOR FARMING.

The present plight of agriculture will receive considerable attention at the annual conference of the Nationalist Unionist Association, which is to be held in London on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday next week. No mass meeting is to be held in connection with the Conference, but the Prime Minister will address the delegates in Queen's Hall, Langham place, W., on Friday morning.

Four resolutions deal with agriculture.

Colonel Sir Arthur Holbrook, M.P., will ask for legislation to provide for relief of the existing burdens on agricultural land, and for a system of State loans to farmers.

Sir Henry Fairfax Lucy will suggest that, as agriculture is the most important of our key industries, it should be given recognition by applying to it the principles of the Safeguarding of Industries Act.

The question of the position of the House of Lords will be raised by the Earl of Selborne.

Another resolution suggests that the payment of salaries to members of Parliament shall cease, except in the case of members who declare that without the payment they could not carry out their duties.

FITZROY CASE SEQUEL.

PRINCIPAL WITNESS IN CUSTODY

Before Mr. Mead, at Marlborough street, London, yesterday, Dorothy Turner, who was the principal witness against Sir Almeric FitzRoy in the recent famous case, was brought up in custody charged with perjury. The prisoner, who was indicted under the name of Daisy Victoria May Broadbridge, was charged—That you, on October 7 and 14, 1922, being lawfully sworn as a witness in a judicial proceeding then pending, unlawfully and corruptly did commit wilful and corrupt perjury.

Sergeant Kide, detective sergeant, Scotland Yard, said that yesterday he saw the prisoner at the police station and asked her if her name was Daisy Victoria May Broadbridge. She replied: "Yes." He said: "I have a warrant for your arrest," and he read a warrant to her. He cautioned her and she made no reply. On that evidence he asked the magistrate for a remand until December 19th.

Mr. Mead—What about bail? I am instructed to oppose bail, as she has no fixed abode, and it was very difficult to trace her.

Mr. Mead—You are asking for a long remand. It is a case of misdemeanour, and if she was committed would have the right to bail. On that principle I do not see how I can consistently refuse bail, but I shall require heavy bail, one guarantee in £50 and herself in £100.

CLONMEL AND THE FREE STATE.

CONGRATULATING THE PRESIDENT.

At the meeting of Clonmel Corporation yesterday, Mr. Morrissey moved a resolution tendering to President Cosgrave sincere congratulations on the birth of the Irish Free State, expressing the hope that he may be long spared to carry out his onerous duties, and returning the thanks of the Council for the courteous manner in which he had always met them as a Minister in connection with municipal affairs.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

NEW REPARATIONS CONFERENCE.

FOUR PREMIERS MEET TO-DAY.

NO COMMON BASIS OF OF POLICY.

MORATORIUM OR SANCTIONS?

FROM OUR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

Down to the very eve of its opening sitting to-day, the Reparations Conference—if the formal conversations between the Prime Ministers of Great Britain, France, Italy, and Belgium are to be dignified by that name—is, to all appearance, planless, none of the four Premiers having disclosed any intention of submitting concrete proposals.

It may well be, however, that in this case appearances are deceptive. The British plan, so far as it exists, is believed to involve a *moratorium* for Germany—it will be remembered that Sir John Bradbury, the British member of the Reparations Commission, proposed last October the suspension of all cash payments by Germany in 1923 and 1924, coupled with such guarantees or pledges as might be expected to be productive, and not merely punitive in effect. On that subject there was a considerable difference of opinion between the French and the other Allies at the London Conference last August.

Of the French proposals little is known. In August M. Poincaré put up an elaborate plan, which was rejected largely on the ground already mentioned—that the proposed guarantees were not really productive at all. Any fresh attempt to seize the Ruhr, or put a customs barrier round it, will unquestionably be met with the same objection.

The Belgians are credited with the old idea of securing payment through the allocation to the Allies, or to the Reparations Commission, of a share in German industrial concerns, an expedient which is canvassed from time to time in Germany itself.

GERMANY'S OWN PROPOSALS.

Finally, the German Chancellor has indicated that Germany has proposals of her own to make, though whether they can be ready in time for the Premiers to consider them in London is very doubtful. They will almost certainly be based on the recommendations of the foreign advisers—Mr. Bland, Mr. Keynes, Dr. Wissering, Professor Cassel, and others—whom the Wirth Government called in in July, and are likely to embody the Wirth proposals of November 14, which Dr. Wirth's successor, Dr. Cuno, has since endorsed, *viz.*:—

(1) Moratorium of four years, except for deliveries in kind for the reconstruction of the devastated areas;

(2) Inn international loan of 500,000,000 gold marks to be used, together with another 500,000,000 from the Reichsbank reserve, for stabilising the mark;

(3) Internal and external loans to be used mainly for the payment of reparations.

The question, however, that will determine the success or failure of the present meeting is whether a full discussion of inter-Allied debts is

MINE AND BOMB.

MEN BLOWN FROM WRECKED CAR.

DESTROYER FIRED AT.

RAILWAY DESTRUCTION

A national Army motor car containing several officers was blown up on Thursday by a land mine near Macroom.

The occupants of the car were hurled some distance from it, but were uninjured.

COUNTY CORK.

ANOTHER ROAD MINE.

CAR BLOWN UP: NATIONAL SOLDIERS UNINJURED.

A very determined attack was made on Thursday on two officers of the national forces at a point about ten miles on the Cork side of Macroom. A party of armed men, estimated at about thirty, used a road mine, rifles, and machine guns, but no casualties were sustained by the officers.

The place selected for the attack was eminently suitable. At both sides of the road there are well wooded cliffs, the northern side affording abundance of cover to the attackers.

The two officers, a driver, and a private occupied a touring car, which was leading a column of troops on the march to Macroom The car was about half a mile in front of the main body of troops, when the mine was exploded. The car was blown high into the air, and the occupants were hurled some distance away.

The car was completely wrecked, but its occupants escaped injury.

As the small party lay dazed on the roadside and beside the ditches, the attackers opened fire with rifles and machine guns, and threw bombs from their position on the hills. They were, apparently, unaware of the approach of the column, which came up and engaged them, putting them to flight after an exchange of fire lasting twenty minutes. It is believed that some of the attackers were hit. The march was then resumed without further incident.

THE CORK BOMB ATTACK.

On inquiry yesterday at the Mercy Hospital, it was learned that Mr. Michael Chambers and Miss K. Feilily, who were injured in the bomb attack in Cork on Thursday, are in a serious condition, particularly the first-mentioned, who was wounded in the head, his brain being lacerated. The child, named Cross, of 10 North Main street, the young man Desmond, and the others were not so severely injured. The child is the only one of these detained for treatment. Her condition is fairly good.

Yesterday morning a rural postman was stopped in Clarmine district by armed men who seized all the mails that he was carrying, including one registered letter and one remittance letter from the post office for payment of old age pensions.

Volunteer M. Neice, of Co. Carlow, who was very badly wounded in several places in the region of the abdomen during the attack on Ballymakeera on Monday morning, has died at the Mercy Hospital, Cork.

DESTROYER FIRED ON.

H.M.S. Vansittart arrived at Queenstown yesterday morning, and reported that when proceeding up Dingle Bay on the 30th November she again came under gun fire, which was directed at her from the shore.

The Vansittart is one of the destroyer flotilla doing patrol duty off the South and West coast of Ireland, having its base at Queenstown. This is the third occasion on which she has been attacked by gunfire off the Kerry coast within a comparatively short period, and in practically the same locality.

The destroyer left Queenstown on the 29th of November, and was conveying two officers of the National Army to a particular place on the South-West coast, on her way to which she went to make a call at Dingle. Yesterday as she was passing off the town a number of rifle shots, estimated at about a dozen, were fired at her from a point in or near the town. All on board took immediate cover, but owing to the snipers occupying a position in a thickly populated district fire was not returned. The speed of the ship was increased, however, and in a few minutes she passed out of the range of gunfire.

COUNTY TIPPERARY.

YOUNG MAN KILLED.

In a round-up by national troops in the neighbourhood of Glenbrohan and Kilfinane, East Limerick, on Thursday, it is reported that a youth named Hugh O'Donnell, of Oola, was killed.

The important bridge over the railway at Limerick Junction, on the main road between Limerick and Waterford, which was blown up some months ago, was repaired under a military guard during this week.

COUNTY ROSCOMMON.

SIGNAL BOX BURNED.

The signal box at Ballinlough station, Midland Great Western Railway, Co. Roscommon, was burned down on Thursday night.

DEBATE ON THE EXECUTIONS.

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said that he had most profound admiration for the courage with which the Government had acted throughout most extraordinary times, which were now probably at their crisis. He appealed, however, to the Government not to allow what happened that morning to occur again.

He was not trying to curry favour with people outside whose methods he detested, but he thought that the Government should come to the House and get authority for any form of drastic action that they had to take against people in rebellion against them.

"NOT DECIDED IN ANGER."

The Minister for Home Affairs denied that the executions were decided upon in a fit of anger. They had long got past anger. The deed was done coldly and deliberately as a punitive and deterrent measure. Members of the nation's Parliament must be kept free to perform their duties. The Government would do their duty regardless of any consequences, physical or political, and were willing to take their stand in any dock in which the people wished to put them.

Mr. Darrell Figgis contended that there was no law for that morning's executions.

The Minister for Education immediately denied the assertion. Every Government had emergency powe. when extreme emergencies arose. He was sorry to hear that the situation was going to be met by demonstrations of retirement from the House.

Mr. Johnson denied that Labour had any such intention.

PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

The debate, having been continued by various speakers, was wound up by the President, who said that the Government fully realised the serious action which they had taken.

A diabolical conspiracy was on foot. Their opponents had discussed this question of assassination and had turned it down on paper, in order to let it go abroad that there was going to be no assassination. Then their gangs would take it up, and the people at the top would say that they had no responsibility for it.

The only way to meet that was to crush it and show that their terror would be ground into them. The President, having referred to Mr. Hales as a man who went into battle with a hurley stick, moved the adjournment.

Mr. Johnson demanded a division, and said that he had never made a pretence of his religion, but wished to say that it was a case of Christianity *versus* Nietzscheanism.

The motion having been carried by 39 to 14 votes, the House adjourned until Tuesday at 3 p.m.

NATIONAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.

At the Examination held last month the following Pupils of Rossa College were successful:—V. Brayden, A. Craig, E. Gunning, **T. Humphries, and T. Mitchell.**—(Advt.)

RAID ON DUBLIN HOSPITAL.

ATTEMPT TO RESCUE WOUNDED PRISONER.

A NATIONAL SOLDIER WOUNDED.

Armed men, disguised as students, yesterday attempted to rescue a wounded prisoner from Mercer's Hospital, Dublin, and, in doing so, fired at and wounded a national soldier, who is said to have resisted them when ordered to put up his hands.

At about half-past nine o'clock a motor car stopped at the main entrance to the hospital. Two young men alighted from it and passed leisurely through the students' entrance and into the hall. They went upstairs to a landing, where James Nolan, a member of the military police from Portobello Barracks, was on duty as sentry. He had no suspicion of the two young men, regarding them as medical students, until they told him to put up his hands, and covered him with a revolver.

Nolan then gave an alarm, and, it is stated, fired a revolver shot, which missed the two armed men. They, in turn, fired each a shot. One of the bullets struck the sentry in the stomach, and he fell, bleeding, to the floor.

The armed men seized his revolver, and ran down the stairs, having failed in their mission.

When the hindmost of the two men reached the door he turned and fired towards the landing. The bullet ' dged in a wall above the spot where the sentry had been sitting. Both men, in the confusion, gained the street and fled.

In the meantime other members of the guard, who heard the firing, came and took Nolan to a ward, where he had to undergo two operations. His condition is not considered serious.

The shooting caused a good deal of alarm among the patients in the hospital.

The patient whom the armed men sought to rescue has been in the hospital about two weeks, and has been guarded since the hour of his admission.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

TRIBUTES FROM BENCH AND BAR.

At the King's Inns yesterday, when the hearing of the appeals from the decision of the Recorder in respect of the claim for compensation for destruction of property made by the *Freeman's Journal* Company (1919), Ltd., was resumed,

Mr. Justice Samuels, the judge who was hearing the appeals, said that since they last sat in the case the *Freeman's Journal* had been deprived of the services of Mr. T. M. Healy, K.C. (recently appointed Governor-General for Ireland), one of the most distinguished members of the Irish Bar, or of any Bar. Mr. Healy's clients now were all those in the Free State, and he would be an advantage to all. He was sure that he expressed the view of all when he wished him all success in the development of his new career.

Mr. Conner, K.C. (who replaced Mr. Healy as leading counsel for the *Freeman's Journal* in the case) said that Mr. Healy was the most loyal of colleagues, and to every member of the Bar he showed the best of good-will. He congratulated Mr. Healy most heartily on his appointment, and wished him every success in his new sphere.

A largely-attended meeting of the members of the Irish Bar was held yesterday in the Library of the King's Inns—Mr. Robert D. Murray presiding.

On the motion of Mr. Serjeant Hanna, seconded by Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., a resolution was unanimously passed, conveying congratulations to Mr. T. M. Healy, K.C., on his appointment to the office of Governor-General of Ireland.

MONAGHAN COUNTY COUNCIL.

Monaghan County Council, at a special meeting yesterday at Ballybay, passed a unanimous resolution congratulating Mr. T. M. Healy on his appointment as Governor-General of the Irish Free State.

The Chairman (Mr. Thomas Toal), in moving the resolution, said that he was glad to see Mr. Healy in such a responsible position. He had been to them an able, honest representative for Monaghan in the past, and he had no doubt that he would prove as good now. He concluded by saying that Mr. Healy was the right man in the right place, and they wished him the enjoyment of many years to fill his new position.

IRISH CATTLE TRADE.

POSITION REGARDED AS SERIOUS.

At a conference of delegates from the branches of the Ulster Farmers' Union in Co. Down, yesterday, the General Secretary of the Union, Mr. Thomas M'Dowell, said that he desired to take that opportunity, knowing how anxious the farmers were about the bill now before Parliament, which proposed to make permanent six days' detention for all Irish cattle landed in Great Britain, of explaining to the members what the situation really was, and also the work that had been done in the interests of the Northern farmers in the House of Commons. He had been in London from Sunday morning last, and on Monday he had taken part in several important meetings in connection with the matter.

Throught the influence of the Right Hon. E. M. Archdale and the Ulster members of Parliament, he had opportunities of placing the views of the Ulster Farmers' Union personally before Sir Robert Saunders, the English Minister of Agriculture, and before the Parliamentary Committee of the House of Commons. He had also interviewed the Whip of the Labour Party and many other individual members. The situation was exceedingly serious, and he desired to tell them that the impression that had got abroad that Ireland was not affected by the bill was absolutely wrong. The position would require every effort if this disastrous blow to the Irish cattle trade was to be averted.

During the course of his statement, Mr. McDowell paid a tribute to the work that had been done for the Ulster farmers by the Right Hon. E. G. Archdale, Captain the Right Hon C. C. Craig, Captain Herbert Dixon, Mr. D. D. Reid, M.P.; Mr. Thomas McConnell, M.P.; and Mr. Thomas Moles.

WIFE'S TARRED VISITOR.

£1,000 DAMAGES AGAINST CO-RESPONDENT.

A scene, in which a husband tarred a man whom he found in a compromising situation with his wife, was described to Mr. Justice Horridge, in the London Divorce Court on Thursday and Friday. Mr. William P. Melhurah, of Exeter, petitioned for a divorce, alleging miscoduct between his wife and Arthur Agnew, a gunmaker. She counter-charged with misconduct at a farm with Lily Elizabeth Sparkes, who intervened. All the charges were denied.

The petitioner said that while watching from a cellar he saw the respondent and co-respondent in a compromising attitude. He struck Agnew on the face with a tarred glove, punched him, and ordered him out.

The co-respondent, under examination, admitted that he started "a carnival of fooling with Mrs. Melhurah, but the tarring took all the courage out of him." He denied misconduct.

Mr. Justice Horridge pronounced a decree *nisi* against the wife, and awarded £1,000 damages against the co-respondent. He said that he could not accept the evidence in the cross-petition regarding the farm incident.

NEW BISHOP OF GLOUCESTER.

The King has approved the appointment of the Rev. Canon Arthur Cayley Headlam, Canon of Christ Church, Oxford, and Regius Professor of Divinity, to the bishopric of Gloucester, vacant by the resignation of the Right Rev. Edgar Charles Sumner Gibson. The new bishop is aged sixty.

D. AND S.E RLY. (Male Clerkships).
Exam. announced for 31st January.
91 Railway Clerkships were gained by Students of SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 Stephen's Green, Dublin, since January, 1920. Special Classes now working.—(Advt.)

ARMED MEN IN A TAXI-CAB.

"A STORY FULL OF CRIME."

NIGHT OF ROBBERIES.

Three men of respectable appearance—John Cunningham, Reginald Barnes, and James Duggan—were indicted at the Dublin County Commission yesterday for having on the 4th October last broken and entered the residence of Mr. Pelham Plunkett, Ballyroan House, Rathfarnham, and stolen cutlery to the value of £7. There was also a charge of illegal possession.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., and Mr. Dudley White, K.C., prosecuted. Mr. Patrick Lynch, K.C. (instructed by Mr. G. Byrne), appeared for Barnes; Mr. Joseph O'Connor (instructed by Mr. Byrne) for Duggan, and Mr. Hughes (instructed by Mr. Drennan) defended Cunningham.

The prisoners, when arraigned on this charge and charges of robberies under arms on the same night, pleaded not guilty, and the case in reference to Mr. Plunkett's house was taken.

Mr. Carrigan, in outlining the case for the prosecution, said that Duggan, a taxi-cab driver, was called up on the telephone to the garage where he was employed at Portobello from Carpenter's, a publichouse in Rathmines, on the evening of the 4th October. When he drove there, three men entered the taxi-cab and ordered him to drive to the tobacconist's shop of Mrs. O'Brien. There some of the men got out of the cab and, armed with revolvers, "held up" the owner and an assistant. The women screamed and a policeman appeared on the scene. One of the armed men turned around and ordered the constable to stand off. The taxi-cab then drove away with the men, of whom Cunningham was undoubtedly one. They drove to Mr. Plunkett's at Rathfarnham, from which the property in the case was taken. According to Duggan's narrative, he was a taxi-cab driver following his occupation, but the prosecution made the case that these men drove to Tallaght, where they stopped at Toomey's publichouse, when some of them produced revolvers and pretended that they were on some official duty and were in search of a certain man. They "held up" a man who happened to be there. They contented themselves with taking some whiskey. Cunningham would be identified as one of the men who raided Toomey's. That was at 8 o'clock, and a Mrs. O'Neill's shop was raided at 8.30. Duggan, who remained in the cab, counsel submitted, was equally guilty with the others, and Cunningham would be identified by five witnesses. At Crumlin they went into a publichouse with revolvers. From Mooney's publichouse in Crumlin they took drink and money. From their own statements, the men engaged in four robberies in the Rathfarnham district, and crowned their night's work by entering the publichouse of William O'Connor, New street, from whom they took about £14 and £47 from his assistant. Duggan that night returned to the garage with the taxi-cab, and afterwards, as the police were on the men's track within two hours, some of the cutlery from Mr. Plunkett's was found in a tool box in the cab and a fish fork in his overcoat. He said that he was under duress all the time that night in being compelled to drive the taxi-cab by armed men. He also said that the articles must have accidentally fallen into the tool box, but he could not account for the fork in his overcoat pocket. He had also in his possession a bottle of whiskey.

Barnes was arrested at Kenilworth road, gave a wrong name and his address as Fernecroft, Westfield road.

Inspector McCabe, Oriel House, gave evidence of a statement made by Duggan, in the course of which he said that he had been told to keep the power going on the car by one of the men, who had revolvers.

As certain witnesses who were called for the prosecution did not attend, Mr. Justice Pim issued bench warrants for their arrest.

THE DEFENCE.

For the defence, Mr. Lynch, K.C., examined George Becker, who stated that on the afternoon of the 4th October he passed the corner of Rathgar road about 2 o'clock, and saw Barnes going towards Carpenter's publichouse. Barnes was then under the influence of drink.

Rev. Ross Brown, Clerical Vicar and Headmaster, Christ Church Grammar School, stated that he knew Barnes as a pupil. He was rather backward, easily led, but was undoubtedly an honourable gentleman.

Miss N. Nugent, who is employed at the A and B Taxis Garage, Portobello, examined by Mr. O'Connor, stated that she kept the book of calls. At 4.35 p.m. on 4th October a call came in the ordinary way by telephone for a taxi-cab to Carpenter's public-house, Rathmines road, and Duggan was sent out in the ordinary course.

A Juror—Was Duggan sent for specially, or was he sent out haphazard.

Witness—No; he was sent out as it was his turn.

Mr. O'Connor—And there are 16 drivers there.

Mr. George Lodge, Secretary, A and B Taxis, produced a book showing an entry made when Duggan returned to the garage at 9.55 on the night of the 4th October, showing that he was 10s. 6d. short in the fare. There was a further entry made as to the engagement of the taxi in the words: "Three men with revolvers." This was written on witness's instructions by a clerk, William Bruisey, on Duggan's statement to him (Mr. Lodge).

Miss M. Cunningham, sister of the prisoner Cunningham, stated, in reply to Mr. Hughes, that her brother was wounded in the war. His head was affected when he took drink. On the evening of the 4th October Barnes, who was under the influence of drink, called to the house for him.

The jury found Cunningham guilty of house-breaking and larceny, and Duggan, whom they recommended to mercy, of feloniously receiving. They disagreed in the case of Barnes.

Mr. Hughes asked his lordship to take into account Cunningham's service in the Army and the fact that he had been wounded.

Mr. Justice Pim said that he had rarely listened to a story so full of crime and injury to people. He could not give a higher sentence to Cunningham, who would be sent to penal servitude for seven years. His lordship directed a sentence of twelve months to be recorded against Duggan, but that it should not be put into force on his entering into substantial security to keep the peace for three years.

The case against Barnes was postponed to the next Commission.

DRUG MYSTERY.

CARDIFF INQUEST ON CHINAMAN

Death from heart disease, accelerated by opium poisoning was the verdict of the Cardiff coroner's jury yesterday, in the case of the Chinese laundryman, Lee Sing, who was found dead in bed with three unconscious English girls by his side.

The girls, all sisters, were called, but seemed dazed and did not appear to have any clear recollection of what occurred.

The dead man apparently made tea, and it was suggested that this might have been impregnated by the use of a kettle for preparing opium. No drugs were found on the premises.

A FIREMAN'S ARREST.

At the meeting of the Dail yesterday, Mr. William Davin (Labour) asked the Minister for Defence if he was aware that the engine and eleven wagons of the "Limerick goods" were derailed midway between Portlaoighaise and Portarlington on the night of November 7th, as a result of which Fireman William Dwyer was instructed to return to Portlaoighise to report the matter to the railway and military authorities; whether it was a fact that Dwyer was arrested by the latter and was still detained without charge or trial; and, seeing that Dwyer emphatically denies any connection with irregulars, if he would order his immediate release from prison, or state the reasons for his arrest and continued detention.

General Mulcahy said that the question of the detention of Dwyer was under investigation, and the inquiries were not yet completed.

Prince Andrew of Greece, with the Princess Alice and his daughter, arrived in Paris yesterday, and were met by Prince Christopher of Greece.

IRISH RAILWAYS.

LITTLE PROGRESS AT THE CONFERENCE.

COMPANIES' PROPOSALS.

Proposals by the Irish railway companies for the introduction of revised conditions of service and reduced wages were discussed at a resumed conference in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, yesterday, between the railway managers and representatives of the National Union of Railwaymen, the Railway Clerks' Association, and the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and Firemen.

The sitting lasted from 9.30 to 12.30 o'clock, but little progress, it is understood, was made, and the conference adjourned until Wednesday morning next for the production of certain financial statistics by the railway managers.

The representatives of the railway workers suggested that the managers should submit amended proposals.

The companies' proposals include:—

(1.) The adoption of a guaranteed 48-hour week, with the time worked on Sunday and overtime included, in lieu of the 8-hour day.

(2.) The abrogation of the guaranteed day.

(3.) Split turns of duty for train men at home stations.

(4.) In calculating hours of duty for train men idle or standing-by, time away from home stations shall be reckoned as equivalent to half-active time.

(5.) Withdrawal of the higher grades—night duty.

(6.) The bonus mileage payable to engine men to be on the basis of 150 miles being equal to 8 hours' work, instead of 120 miles.

(7.) Overtime to be payable only on excess time worked over 48 hours a week.

These proposals do not apply to the Railway Clerks' Association.

The proposed "cut" in wages ranges, it is stated, in some cases from 5s. to 15s. a week.

OAT PURCHASE APPEAL.

CORK FIRM'S CASE.

REMARKABLE ERROR OF JUDGMENT.

In the Court of Appeal, London, yesterday, before Lords Justices Bankes, Warrington, and Scrutton, a question of considerable interest in reference to commercial arbitrations was raised.

The case related to a dispute between the sellers and a buyer, under a c.i.f. contract, for the sale and purchase of a quantity of Irish black oats for shipment from Cork to Rouen.

Messrs. Richard Clear and Co., Ltd., of Cork, the sellers, appealed from a judgment of Mr. Justice Sankey, who decided in favour of the buyer, Mdme. Eugene Bloch, of Paris, upon an award of lay arbitrators, stated in the form of a special case, and upon a supplemental award. There was also a motion by the sellers to set the supplemental award aside.

Lord Justice Bankes said that he proposed to give judgment on the motion to set aside the supplemental award before dealing with other matters which would necessarily arise.

The contract in question was entered into in October, 1919, when there was in force, although the sellers were unaware of it, an Order-in-Council, which entirely prohibited the exportation of oats from the kingdom. In spite of that, however, it appeared that certain Government Departments were issuing licences for the export of seed oats.

ARBITRATION.

Subsequently the sellers became aware of the necessity of obtaining a licence for the purpose of enabling them to fulfil the contract, but they failed to obtain one. They then took up the position that they were under no obligation to fulfil the contract, and the dispute was by agreement referred to arbitration under the rules of the London Corn Trade Association, which provided for arbitration before three arbitrators, a decision by two of whom was to be final. The arbitrators were asked to state their award in the form of a special case. Two of them—the other not being willing—stated a special case, and they asked the Court to decide whether, on the facts stated in the case, and on the true construction of the contract, the sellers were excused from performance of the contract.

The arbitrators, amongst other things, stated that the export of oats was only allowed at the time the contract was entered into subject to a licence being obtained from the Board of Trade, and that they were not satisfied that the sellers did all they might have done to obtain a licence.

When the matter came before Mr. Justice Sankey, he appeared to have been in doubt as to what these two arbitrators exactly meant by these findings, and he thereupon decided that he must remit the case, in order that he might be supplied with further information upon these particular matters. The question at once arose as to whether the case should be sent back to the tribunal of three arbitrators, or to the two arbitrators who were in agreement.

Mr. Justice Sankey was ultimately persuaded that the right course was to remit the case to the two arbitrators who had stated the special case, but to give the third dissenting arbitrator liberty to attend and state his views to the other two arbitrators, but not to take any part in re-stating the case to the Court.

It was sufficient on that point to say that he (Lord Justice Bankes) had very grave doubt as to whether the learned judge had jurisdiction to deal with the matter in that way. But it was not necessary to come to a decision on that point, for it was agreed that the learned judge had no jurisdiction, and did not intend to send the case back to the two arbitrators to institute a fresh inquiry. The learned judge remitted the case to them for further information merely on matters which were already in their minds.

AN ERROR OF JUDGMENT.

Without imputing any moral misconduct to these two gentlemen, he (the Lord Justice) thought that they committed an error of judgment. They did that which they had absolutely no right to do. They started on a fresh inquiry, and obtained new evidence, and did this in the absence of the third arbitrator. It necessarily followed that this fresh award must be set aside, and to that extent the appellants succeeded.

There remained the question of what was to happen to the original award. If the sellers were going to contend that they were entitled to an answer in their favour on the first award, that question must be considered in the presence of the Law Officers, because it raised an extremely important question of the prerogative of the Crown to grant licences for export in face of an express prohibition under an Order-in-Council. It seemed to him, however, that the best way to deal with this dispute was for the parties to agree to start *de novo*.

The other Lord Justices concurred, and it was directed that the matter should be mentioned again next week.

NORTHERN ADDRESS.

RECEIVED BY THE KING.

The *Court Circular* states that the Earl of Cromer (Lord Chamberlain) was received in audience by the King at York Cottage, Sandringham, last evening, and presented an Address from the Houses of Parliament of Northern Ireland, to which His Majesty was graciously pleased to make reply.

The King returns to London from Sandringham this evening, and after his arrival at Buckingham Palace will hold a Privy Council, at which the business will relate mainly to Ulster affairs.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them, hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin, Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

In a Brussels school, as a protest against the refusal of the Municipal Council to increase their salaries, the teachers suspended their lessons for one hour.

THE ILFORD MURDER.

FEMALE PRISONER ON THE RACK.

Frederick Bywaters, alert and entirely self-possessed, told his story yesterday at the Old Bailey, London, of the killing of Percy Thompson in a quiet street of Ilford about midnight on October 4.

Mr. Inskip, K.C., the Solicitor-General, asked him what he understood by the phrase in one of Mrs. Thompson's letters: "I used the light bulb three times. On the third time he found the piece, so I have given it up till you come home."

Bywaters answered that he thought she was lying to him.

When Bywaters had finished his ordeal, Mrs. Thompson, who is jointly accused of murder, was assisted into the witness box.

Have you at any time ever done anything to injure your husband? asked counsel.—Never, she answered.

Have you ever been in possession of poison?—Not to my knowledge.

Have you ever administered any poison to your husband?—No.

Have you ever given him ground glass in any of his food or in any form?—Never

Mrs. Thompson's distress seemed most acute when she was asked to describe some of her movements on the night of the tragedy when she was walking home with her husband from the theatre. "The doctor had been summoned to the scene. Percy Thompson had fallen to the ground. I asked the doctor if he could take my husband home, and he said: 'He is dead,'" and then Mrs. Thompson burst into tears.

A way through the crowded court had to be made for her when she limped back to the dock at the adjournment of the hearing. There was a rush of women to see her pass. A friendly hand shot out from the little crowd that pressed eagerly round the steps leading to the dock, and a woman's voice greeted her, "Hold up, my dear."

REMARKABLE ADMISSIONS.

Sensation after sensation marked the closing period of tension during Mrs. Thompson's cross-examination in the witness box. More than once there was a gasp of astonishment in court at her startling admissions to the Judge and the Solicitor-General, and so grave did some of these admissions appear to be that she was asked to repeat them, so that there could be no mistake.

The Judge—Did I take you down rightly as saying, "I wanted him to think I was willing to take my husband's life"?

Mrs. Thompson—I wanted him to think I was willing to do what he suggested.

It was plain that the frail creature in the witness box was suffering on the rack of cross-examination. Her answers were sometimes broken with sobs, which she tried hard to suppress. Now and then she conquered her confusion and bewilderment by raising her voice and speaking rapidly.

The trial will be resumed this morning.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

GOD AND THE FREE STATE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I was much struck with the fact that at the first meeting of the new Parliament there was no religious observance or appeal to Almighty God to direct the undertakings and deliberations of Dail Eireann.

Surely this is not in keeping with our traditions as a Land of Saints—especially at a time when Divine aid is so sorely needed by all in our distracted country.—Yours, etc.,

THOMAS J. HOUSTON.
15 Beechwood road, Ranelagh, Dublin,
December 8th, 1922.

WOUNDED NATIONAL SOLDIERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Friends of Irish soldiers desire to bring them to the memory of those who celebrate this Christmas time of fellowship, goodwill, and compassion. Very many soldiers have passed through the Dublin hospitals and Marlborough Hall. Some have died, some have recovered; others will suffer during their lives. There are now about 300 in the city hospitals and convalescent home. Among them are men who fought in 1916, in 1921, and have now again been fighting in the cause of the country that they love. Others of them are less hardened to war, but they, too, face its severities and perils with no less courage. We hope that this Christmas they will all know that they have friends who stand by them, and by generous gifts will offer them in their pain, sickness, or mutilation a liberal share in the hospitalities and joys which this festival brings to every Christian household.

Let us remember that it is only by the full service of every one of us that the country can live. A man who now all alike charged with the fate of our fellow-citizens, and is to our honour or shame that they will rise or fall. In the beginning of this new life of public duty it would ill become us to be forgetful of soldiers who have fought and suffered.—Yours, etc.,

ALICE STOPFORD GREEN.
Dublin, December 8th, 1922.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN IRELAND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—At this, the inception of our national existence, we are naturally concerned with national ideas I venture to draw attention to one, to which I have seen reference, but in vague indefinite manner, by one of your correspondents recently—that of establishing a fund or funds for scientific research. An Irishman with an original idea, whether in science or other branch of knowledge, has absolutely no chance of receiving pecuniary assistance from English research funds in testing it experimentally. I applied last year to the Royal Society and to the Medical Research Council for a grant to defray the expense of a piece of work on the action of the heart. Though I had a fair amount of influence to back the request, I might as well have sent it to the planet Mars for all the success it had, or is ever likely to have.

Failing to get aid, I went to work at my own expense at the Marcy Institute in Paris, and there had the pleasure of meeting and collaborating with a Rumanian professor engaged in cognate investigations. We made a joint communication to the Société de Biologie. The point which I desire to bring out in this connection is that the Bukarest man was there at his country's expense, and his country is pretty impoverished—the Rumanian currency possessing something like one-fortieth of its normal value, which is that of one leu equalling one franc. There was no waiting for the ship to come home. The man with an idea must be given every possible chance of working it out. Such is the keenness on research in every country except Ireland. It is the first function of a university. Is Ireland to lag in stagnant futile thought? Is there no source from which an Irishman with an idea may receive aid in working it out? If the Irish Government fails in this, it fails in a vital matter.—Yours, etc.,

D. T. BARRY.
Physiology Department, University College, Cork, December 6th, 1922.

A HARD SENTENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It would be of much interest to have the opinion of some expert in jurisprudence as to whether the sentence of 111 years' confinement in a penitentiary, reported in your issue of yesterday to have been pronounced on a negro convicted of burglary in Texas, is a legally valid sentence in the United States. By the 8th Article of the Constitution of the United States it is expressly laid down that "excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted."

If written Constitutions are of any value (and we are supposed to live under one now), it seems to me that the sentence reported must be invalid on the face of it. I will not express any positive opinion as to whether the punishment of 111 years' confinement is actually "cruel," but at least I think it must be "unusual"—unless, indeed, the constitutional proviso that I have quoted has been of no account for a very considerable time.

Perhaps, experts may hold that the Constitution forbids only such punishments as are both "cruel and unusual," and offers no protection to citizens against the risk of cruel or unusual punishments. But, if so, is there not a moral to be drawn!—Yours, etc.,

"STRICT CONSTRUCTIONIST."
Dublin, December 8th, 1922.

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SCENES IN THE COMMONS.

LABOUR M.P. REFUSES TO APOLOGISE.

MAJORITY DOWN TO 35.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, Friday.

If the first division, taken this afternoon, can be taken as an indication, the Government Whips are likely to have a somewhat anxious time.

On the motion for the suspension of the 4 o'clock rule, a trivial matter in itself, which was opposed in principle by the Labour members, the Conservatives found themselves with a majority of only 35.

UNEMPLOYMENT AGAIN.

This matter decided, the Labour Party returned to the war path on the question of unemployment.

Sir Montagu Barlow had submitted a supplementary estimate for £1,075,000 for the relief of unemployment, and Mr. Clynes vigorously criticised the Government's proposal as utterly inadequate for the purpose. It was all very well, he argued, to talk about private enterprise, but what, for example, had private enterprise done for agriculture.

A THEATRICAL SPEECH.

Dr. Macnamara defended the action of the late Government, and called down upon himself the wrath of Mr. Maxton, the Labour member for the Bridgeton Division of Glasgow.

Mr. Maxton was nothing if not dramatic. He thundered out his denunciations in a manner worthy of Irving, and the House greatly enjoyed the performance.

In face of what the late Government had done or had not done, was it really expected, he said, that the Labour Party should appreciate the sympathy of Dr. Macnamara?

Commander Kenworthy, who has been well schooled in the rules of the House, mildly reminded the hon. member that, by referring to the right hon. gentleman by name, he had transgressed.

Mr. Maxton thanked the hon. member for Central Hull for his lesson, but rather spoilt the effect by adding that he "didn't care a damn for rules."

Mr. Hope, the Chairman, was shocked, and advised the speaker that that was not the proper language to use in that House.

Mr. Maxton was willing to apologise and withdraw. He would, no doubt, in time get to know which was the proper vocabulary to use.

CAN'T LIVE ON £1 A DAY.

When he thought of men like Bottomley, Bevan, Hooley and others, he realised there were flaws in the system of private enterprise.

The Scotch Labour members did not intend to return to their constituents and tell them they must starve in peace. He mentioned, incidentally, that the Scottish members had discovered for themselves the impossibility of living in London in decency under a £1 a day. There was a chorus of assent from his colleagues on the Labour benches, who have found out from experience that £400 a year does not go very far.

NEW SHIPS AT ONCE.

Viscount Curzon made a practical proposal by suggesting that the Government should at once lay down the two new capital ships, and make a start with the construction of the Channel tunnel.

Sir Montagu Barlow, the Labour Minister, added really nothing to what has already been announced on behalf of the Government, and the rule was agreed, and the vote was agreed to by 213 to 125.

MR. ASQUITH'S DENIAL.

One of those personal incidents which always interest the House arose on the notion for the second reading of the Trade Facilities and Loans Guarantees Bill.

In last night's debate Mr. Johnston, the Labour member for Stirling, threw out the suggestion that Mr. Asquith, in introducing a deputation to the Government on the subject of the loan to the Soudan had been actuated by personal motives.

Mr. Asquith appeared in the House this afternoon "to repudiate the allegation," and complained that the hon. member had not had the courtesy to give him notice of his intention to raise this question.

During 40 years of public life, said Mr. Asquith, he had never known anyone who, on the floor of that House, had had the courage to make an insinuation of the kind made by the hon. member for Stirling. There was not the shadow of a foundation for the suggestion that he had any personal interests, direct or indirect, to serve.

Mr. Johnston said that he was prepared to repeat his statements in the discussion on the Consolidated Fund Bill next week, but was appealed to by Mr. Ramsay Macdonald to apologise and withdraw, in so far as his statements affected Mr. Asquith.

The hon. member rose in his place, and had got as far as, "In response to the appeal made by the Leader of the Labour Party," when he was interrupted by cries of "Oh!" from some of his colleagues on the Labour benches.

The hon. member at once resumed his seat, and, though he was greeted with cries of, "Why don't you withdraw!" refused to carry the matter further.

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald expressed his regret that the member for Stirling had not apologised, but Mr. Johnston still sat tight, and in the midst of the pause which followed Mr. Asquith got up and walked out of the House.

His departure was the signal for loud cheers from his supporters, who stood in their places until the right hon. gentleman had disappeared behind the Speaker's chair.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

MAGDALEN CHURCH.—The second sermon in the series on "Personal Immortality" will be preached to-morrow morning, when the subject will be "The Witness of Conscience." At the Evening Service Rev. E. H. Campbell will deliver an address on "The Second Advent."

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.—The annual collections on behalf of the Sustentation Fund of St. Paul's Parish will be made to-morrow (Sunday). The preacher at Morning Service will be the Rev. W. Monk Gibbon, Rector of Dundrum, and at the Evening Service the Provost of Trinity College.

The Colonial and Continental Church Society has entered upon the hundredth year of its work on behalf of the spiritual needs of Irishmen overseas. In addition to other efforts the Irish Auxiliary has arranged for a Centenary Sale of Work on Tuesday and Wednesday next, particulars of which will be found in our advertisement columns to-day. It is hoped that friends will make a special effort to patronise the sale, and so help the Society to carry on its great work.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The Morning Service (11.30) in Adelaide road Church will be conducted by the Rev. R. K. Hanna. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at this Service. The Evening Service (7) will be conducted by Professor James Haire (Belfast), who will preach with special reference to his recent visit to the mission stations in North China and the Shanghai Conference.

THE METHODIST CHURCH.

BLACKROCK.—The Services to-morrow at 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. will be conducted by Dr. Carrothers, who will speak at the Evening Service on "Special Help in Time of Need." Visitors will be welcomed.

CENTENARY CHURCH.—Services will be held to-morrow at 11.30 by the Rev. B. B. Merton, and at 7 by the Rev. R. C. Phillips. The evening subject will be "The All-Attracting Saviour," and the solo will be "Nearer, my God, to Thee" (Carey), and the anthem, "The Radiant Morn" (Woodward). Strangers are heartily invited.

BRIGHTON ROAD.—The Rev. E. W. Young will preach in the morning. In the afternoon at the Children's Service toys will be received for the Cripples' Home in Bray. The Rev. J. E. Hutton will conduct the Evening Service.

U.S. MARKETS.

STOCKS CLOSED STRONG.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Friday.

Stocks opened irregular, and later weakened under the resumption of bear pressure and liquidation, but Railroads became stronger and the confident accumulation of Studebaker Common and Corn Products Refining made shorts uneasy. Later movements were decidedly upward, many advances taking place ranging from 1 to 4 points, and the market closed strong.

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DANSE MACABRE.

Riots and Eurythmics in Germany—Symbols of Approaching Doom.

(BY A. W. G. S.)

DESPAIR is a force which acts powerfully even on the most phlegmatic of men, driving them from their habitual state of inertia into dynamic, often disastrous, action. To-day something very like despair has settled down upon the slow-moving citizen of the German Republic. Economic forces have snatched from him the old comfortable philosophy of life—that domestic comfort and warmth could be won fairly easily so long as one knew one's business or craft; and that the battle for existence lay outside the ordinary person's ken, existing, indeed, only in the morbid imaginations of writers or communists.

The hard facts of his well-nigh desperate situation have been brought home to him at last by the discovery that no amount of hard work on his part will bring in a sufficient return to keep the wolf from the door. He can barely afford, even if he is relatively well off, and in a steady job, to buy sufficient food for his family. He cannot at all buy new clothes, and wood or coal are forbidden luxuries.

During the summer, and even in the autumn, these exigencies did not appear so immediate. With the coming of winter, however, and its attendant rain and snow, they have revealed themselves in all their ghastly reality. If one goes out into the streets one's worn-out boots do not keep out the wet, and there is no fire when one gets home at which boots, socks, and toes can be toasted back to comfortable dryness and warmth. The German working man and the ewage-earning classes generally have awakened with horror to the consequences of their condition, and, incapable of finding any solution of their difficulties, have in many cases momentarily lost their heads.

Demonstrations in Dresden.

The demonstrations of last week in Dresden and Braunschweig are instances when the people became for the moment thus unbalanced. Nothing could show this more plainly than their tragic futility. In Dresden a few hundred ill-nourished, unemployed men walked through the main streets in rough formation, with no protection from the soaking rain but thread-bare jackets and caps. Their overcoats long since had vanished, doubtlessly, behind a pawnbroker's doors; their boots were old and, for the most part, broken.

As they walked along they shouted incoherently—"We want bread; every man has the right to live." Some gesticulated and stopped to harrangue the onlooking crowds, who were either too much afraid, or not needy enough, to join the demonstrators' ranks. Several of those poor wretches who wasted their words upon the powerless spectators made use of the same recurring phrase—"Why can't we have work? We don't want charity. It is better to die at once than to starve."

The Mob Mind.

The evident futility of all this talk and shouting, and tramping through the rain, could not but accentuate the hunger for some kind of direct action. In an unreasoned, dim kind of way, they felt that the French and a combination of foreign nations were causing their present distress—but, especially, the French. If only they could exterminate that relentless foe, they would be all right! Apparently, however, that was impossible at present. There remained the *Auslander* (of any nationality, it did not matter which), who were living in their midst and buying with their foreign money those commodities which Germans could not afford. And so the band of demonstrators gathered outside the Europäischer Hof Hotel, where all the rich foreigners dwelt. No settled plan of action existed. Even in their desperation too much of the discipline, the order, of the old monarchical *régime* remained with the unemployed, preventing them from rushing into the hotel.

But their move interested the spectators, who felt that here, indeed, was a tangible factor in the causes which were bringing about their disaster. The mob swelled, therefore, and stones were thrown. A few windows were broken. The shops in the neighbourhood closed down, with proper German discretion, and then the police arrived in motor lorries and on horseback—soldiers rather than police, armed with rifles or with pistols and swords. That was the end, for that day at least. Thirty-six lucky or unlucky agitators (it would be hard to decide which) were carried off in lorries to jail. The others dispersed.

The Looters.

Looting, however, had been done here and there by those of the hangers-on who had a quick eye for any profit that could be reaped out of the disturbance. I myself saw half a dozen or so tatterdemalions scurrying down side-streets with parcels bulging beneath their jackets, and in my heart, although it was immoral, I wished them luck, for the men from whom they had stolen were, in the main, "profiteers" of a damnable type, a type which thrives upon the misfortunes of its brethers.

Next day a smaller demonstration took place: the unemployed apparently did not shrink from the hardships of a German jail—indeed, they courted them. This time forty prisoners were taken away. Then Dresden came back to its senses, and the German citizen, always a steady individual, lost himself again in the unequal struggle for food.

Romantic Brunswick.

Dresden is a city, busy, pulsating with life. It is larger, perhaps livelier, and more industrious than Dublin. It is certainly more artistic. The Dresden Opera House and the Art Galleries are, perhaps, the finest in Germany; while Dresden china-ware is world-renowned. But for the little town of Braunschweig—or Brunswick, as it is called in English—we have no counterpart either in Ireland or Great Britain.

It is a town that one scarcely could believe to exist outside a romance of the Middle Ages. Its queer over-hanging houses with their red-tiled roofs are still as they were hundreds of years ago; and the narrow cobbled streets wind inconsequently hither and thither, as though the genius of the people who built the town delighted in equinfing round corners. The atmosphere of the place is one of serenity and content. Little business is done. It is a residential, nor a commercial, town. It is surprising, therefore, that riots of any kind should have occurred there. Yet the Braunschweig bread-riots were of a more serious and threatening character than those in Dresden.

It is difficult to stir the inhabitants of such an old-world town into action, but when once they have been roused by empty stomachs and frozen feet they can be far more dangerous and effective than their city brethren. This was the case in Braunschweig, where the workers were capable of only one idea at a time. In the city political ideas confused themselves with economic ones, and so action was hampered. In Braunschweig the demonstrators were solely bread-rioters; the principles of Communism were virtually unknown to them, and they were all the more ready, therefore, to embrace that panacea. Their action, however, being mob action, spontaneous and without fixed direction, ended as futilely as in the case of Dresden. But one feels that here, if anywhere in Germany, a fertile field for the seed of Bolshevist propaganda has been ploughed.

The Lure of Rhythm.

From bread riots to æsthetic dancing seems a distant cry; yet there are connecting links. Two or three days after the disturbances of last week an exhibition of first-class dancing was given before a crowded audience in one of Dresden's largest public halls. Perhaps, the sensuous rhythm of the dance pours unction on a lacerated soul, or, perhaps, there is an affinity between the primæval quality of rhythm and the cravings of a life which has been reduced to the primitive essential—the strife for food. Whatever the reason may be, Valerie Kratina, an obscure but inspired dancer, with her group of five or six pupils from Dalcroze's School of Eurythmics at Hellerau, could not have performed before a more enthusiastic, appreciative, and crowded house in any city of England or America.

The tickets were cheap, even for Germans, the dearest only 200 marks (the price of six and a half tram rides), and the audience was drawn from all classes. The very wealthy—nearly all *nouveauxriche*—and foreigners were noticeably absent. Perhaps, the cheapness of the tickets frightened them away!

Two dances from that programme of delights haunt my memory. The first was the dance of the Witches in "Macbeth":

"Fair is foul and foul is fair."

I had no notion that a dance performed dumbly, without assistance of music or tambour, could be so ghastly, so suggestive of impending doom. The three witches were in costume, and their movements, never fantastic, were horribly grotesque and evil. They semed, in their rhythmic motion, to embody at the moment, not only that evil power or fate which was to overwhelm Macbeth in the end, but also, and even more dreadfully, the evil Destiny which seems to overhang Germany and Europe to-day.

The other also was a witch dance: *Die Hexen* of Moskowsky, I think. There were two witches this time, again shapeless, distorted figures, crumpled like monstrous bats against the ground, and swaying slightly with relentless measure. Their movements supplied the same suggestion of death and disaster that was present in the other dance.

Then Valrie Kratina appeared. She seemed to be simulating some hero of the golden age who has been brought into the presence of an unseen terror. At first, frightened by the strangeness of the thing, he cannot move; then, feeling its poison creeping around him and overwhelming him, he struggles wildly against Emptiness, with all the frantic energy of desperation. A lapse then into hypnotised inaction—like the crouching terror of the rabbit before a ferret or a snake. And, finally, while the witches sway their bodies to the music's measure, the unseeing victim quickens into the frenzied death-dance: the struggle of the doomed against the irresistible powers of darkness.

A Nation's Death-Struggle.

Whether this dance appeared to [illegible] public as it did to me I do not know. To me it was the dramatisation in an inspired dance of the death struggle of a great nation. Perhaps these victims of fate sitting around me took some grim pleasure in watching their own death agony enacted in that aesthetic way; perhaps it was simply the intrinsic fascination of the dance which held them. But whatever it was, an immediate connection certainly existed between that passionate symbolism and the bread riots of a few days before. They were, for me, simply the symbolic and the realist presentation of the same psychological state.

Deutsche Kultur.

It seems difficult to believe that a people on the brink of national bankruptcy and individual starvation can find time or money for the support of music, drama, or art of any kind. Yet there can be little doubt that the average German, if not too hard pressed, finds time and a little money for all of these. It is true that the best artists in painting, drama and song, have been enticed to America or elsewhere abroad by visions of a golden future. But what is left is good. The Germans are a musical, sentimental people, loving to express themselves in choruses and songs; and they have before them the tradition of a culture before which they bow with all the docility of stupid, but ambitious, men.

For they have read Nietzsche and worshipped Nietzsche, but somehow or other have got hold of the wrong end of his meaning. Thus they have aimed at, and still aim at, a superman that Nietzsche never preached—and this striving of theirs is all the more pathetic when one thinks of the calamity that seems about to engulf them.

GOLF TOPICS.

Stretching Out Milltown.

THE time for course construction, alterations, and repairs has arrived, and Green Committees are getting busy on their preparations for next season. The Milltown Committee have their hands full at the moment. An extensive improvement scheme has been adopted, and already the work is well on its way. A great deal has to be accomplished, but when the Native Championship is being played there in June it will be found that the Committee have done all in their power to bring the course up to the championship standard. Fortunately, the greens will not cause any anxiety. Better inland greens are not to be found in this country, and with the care and attention that have been bestowed on them since the slack season set in, and which will not be relaxed in the interval between this and next June, they should play well up to their enviable reputation during the Championship week.

Lengthening the Course.

Portion of the improvement scheme consists in an appreciable lengthening of the course, and, with that object in view, several new tees are to be constructed. In fact, when these tees are in play the character of a few of the holes will be altered radically. It is intended to have the second tee more to the right near the corner, and, while that will add length to the hole, it will also change materially the nature of the tee shot, which will have to be played away to the left so as to get the right position for the second on to the green. The ninth hole will also be altered to a great extent when the new tee is built to the left of the eighth green, for the tee shot will then not be the straight-forward one that it is at present, and the bringing back of the tee for the 18th will not only add length to the hole, but, in conjunction with other contemplated improvements here, will tend to make it a much better finishing hole.

The Third Hole.

I do not know the Committee's intentions regarding the bunkering of the third, or whether they mean to allow the present makeshift cross bunker to remain a blot on the hole; but I heard that the ground in front of the short 12th is to receive attention, so as to inflict on the half-topped shot the punishment it should at all times receive. No better choice than Milltown could have been made when the Union decided to give the Native Championship to an inland club. A fine test of inland golf at all times, it will be hard to beat it when the task at present in hands has been completed.

Bettystown.

The want of a really good links at Bettystown has always been felt by golfers staying at that popular holiday resort during the summer and autumn months. True, the links were there for all who cared to use them; but they were sadly neglected, and it did not raise the course in the esteem of golfers when crowds of once-a-year golfers were allowed to swarm over the links and inflict irreparable damage to the turf. But recently the links were taken over by a committee, who decided on extending the course to 18 holes, and already considerable progress has been made in the laying out of the new holes. When finished the links will run as far as the Maiden Tower, near which a second pavilion has been erected for the convenience of those crossing from Drogheda. The new captain is Mr. J. McGoldrick, who will have the assistance of Mr. S. Healy as Hon. Secretary and of Mr. O. Somers as Hon. Treasurer.

TRAVELLER.

WOMEN AND FOX HUNTING.

A Master at Fourteen.

DURING the years of the Great War the fate of Fox Hunting in the United Kingdom hung in the balance. These islands were being denuded of their best horses, and as for the sportsmen they were going over the top and being in at the death everywhere, and many, very many, never returned.

When things looked blackest British and Irish sportsmen came forward, as they did in so many other difficulties, and saved the situation. "We will carry on" was their decision, and loyally did they carry out their undertaking. Of their efforts to keep sport alive the full tale will never be chronicled; but their best recompense lies in the fact that when peace brought about a welcome change their personal co-operation and support had proved too valuable to be dispensed with, and, instead of their relinquishing their responsibilities and becoming again merely followers of the Hunts, the old courtesy, "*Place aux Dames*" took on quite a new significance, and the names of many ladies will now be found figuring on the lists of masters of fox hounds, harriers, beagles, and other hounds, and also in the troublesome posts of hon. secretaries, etc. The departure has, without exception, proved most successful, and further additions to the ranks of lady M.F.H. and M.H. may be expected in the near future.

Ireland's only Woman Master.

In Ireland at present there is only one lady M.F.H.—Mrs. W. Hall—who in 1920 was appointed Master of the Carlow Hounds, formerly known as the Tullow Hunt, and existing in 1810, and probably earlier. The first Master (Mr. John Watson), during a period of ill-health, lent the hounds to Mr. Whelan for eight years, but resumed the Mastership in 1824, retaining it, with the help of his son, Mr. Robert Watson, till he died in 1869, being then eighty-two years of age. Some fifteen years previously there was a considerable extension of territory, and the Hunt became known as the Carlow and Island Hounds, and so continued during the mastership of the late Mr. Robert Watson until he sold the hounds to the Hunt Club in 1904, when the old title was resumed, the Island portion of the country having reverted to Earl Fitzwilliam (Coollattin). Since Mrs. Hall assumed command she has shown excellent sport two days a week, and is fortunate in having a capable and enthusiastic secretary in Miss Pack-Beresford, while Mr. W. E. Grogan acts as huntsman.

Lady Masham was chosen Master of Bedale Hunt two years ago, and has given good sport in the portion of Yorkshire lying between the Zetland and the York and Ainsty territory. This Hunt was established in 1816, and its list

Mrs. W. Hall, M.F.H.

of Masters contains the names of many notable sportsmen.

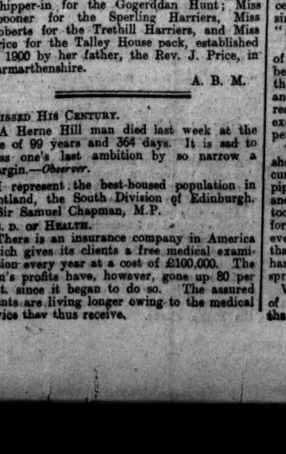
The Tedworth Hunt, which was started nearly a hundred years ago by Mr. Assheton Smith, has now for the first time a lady Master—Mrs. F. Keith Simmonds, who succeeded Captain Sir Alfred Hickman last year. The country lies between Wiltshire and Hampshire, and affords plenty of sport three days a week. Fernie's, one of the popular Leicestershire Hunts, with a fine stretch of country in proximity to the Quorn, Atherstone, Pytchley, and Cottesmore territories, has for its joint Masters, Mrs. Fernie and Mrs. Faber, who were appointed last year.

Miss Eileen Berry.

The Gelligaer and Talebont Foxhounds will in future be known by the name of their new Master, Miss Eileen Berry, daughter of Mr. Seymour Berry, of Gwaelodygarth, Merthyr Tydvil, who, being only in her fifteenth year, can claim the distinction of being the youngest M.F.H. in the world.

Another Welsh Hunt, the Neuadd Fawr, has had a lady Master for longer than any Hunt in the British Isles, Mrs. T. H. R. Hughes having been appointed in 1902. Miss Guest acts as Master and huntsman of a private pack started in 1913 in Somersetchire, and hunting two days a week.

In Scotland the Marchioness of Bute, who is an Irishwoman, is the only lady M.F.H., having been elected to the Mastership of the Eglinton Hounds on the resignation of the Earl of Eglinton, whose uncle established the Hunt in 1851. The country, which is very extensive, lies in



Miss Eileen Berry, M.F.H.

Ayrshire, and affords grand sport three days a week.

Other Women Masters.

Lady Maud Mackintosh, daughter of the Duke of Devonshire, is now joint Master with Captain the Hon. E. Baillie of the High Peak Harriers, which hunt the Buxton-Bakewell district in Derbyshire two days a week, with an occasional bye-day. After a recent hunt, the Master's little daughter, Miss Anne Mackintosh, who is only four years old, was presented with the pad and initiated. Miss Isa McClintock's name still remains on the list of Masters of Harriers in Ireland as Master of the Tynan and Armagh Harriers, but the pack has not been hunted for some years. It was originally started as a private pack by the late Sir James Stronge, Bart., and later amalgamated with the Armagh Harriers. Miss McClintock was elected Master in 1899.

Among the ladies acting as Secretaries of Hunts are Miss Lyane (Wexford Foxhounds), Miss R. H. Harrison and Miss Dobson, jointly (North Staffordshire F.H.), Miss M. Ord (South Durham), Mrs. Morgan (Badsworth), Miss Lake (Silverton), Mrs. Joliffe (Isle of Wight Fox Hounds), Mrs. Mackenzie (Tiverton), Mrs. Jevons (North Durham), and Mrs. Godfrey (Lamerton).

In addition to the above sporting list, ladies are acting as whippers-in for several Hunts. Since 1915, Miss F. M. Twinberrow has been hon. whipper-in for the North Tedbury Foxhounds, and Miss Riley second whipper-in for the Gogerddan Hunt; Miss Spooner for the Sperling Harriers, Miss Roberts for the Trethill Harriers, and Miss Price for the Talley House pack, established in 1900 by her father, the Rev. J. Price, in Carmarthenshire.

A. B. M.

MISSED HIS CENTURY.

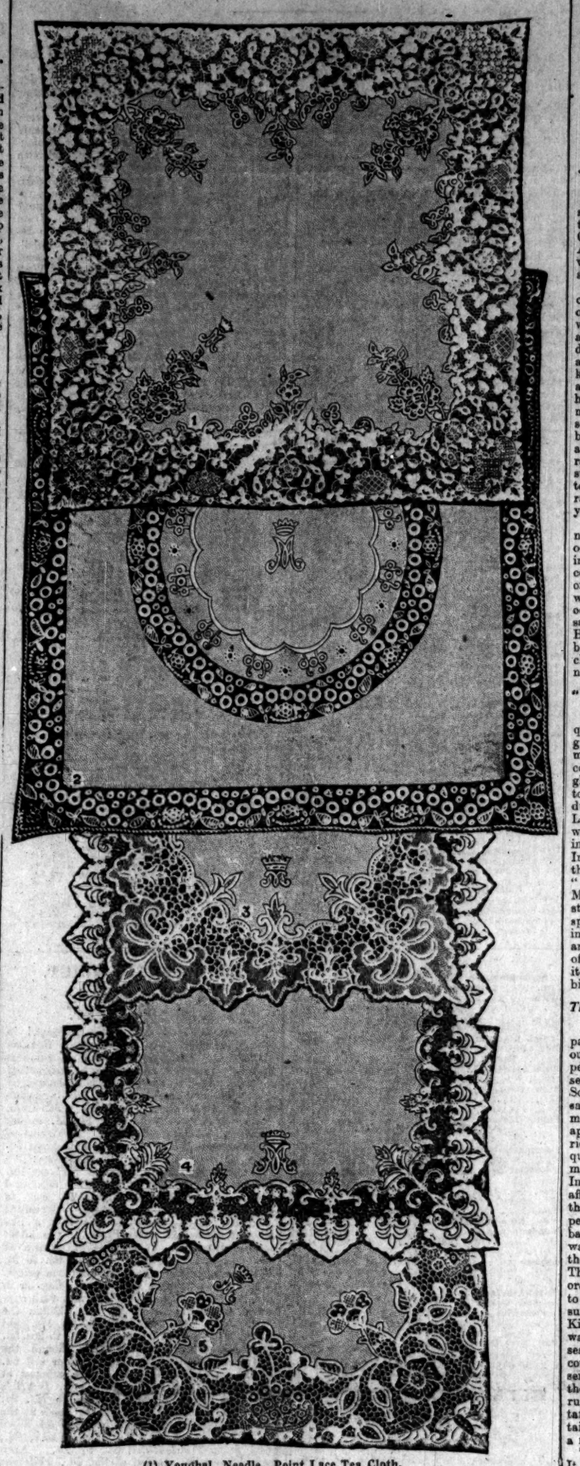
A Herne Hill man died last week at the age of 99 years and 364 days. It is sad to miss one's last ambition by so narrow a margin.—*Observer.*

I represent the best-housed population in Scotland, the South Division of Edinburgh. —Sir Samuel Chapman, M.P.

£ S. D. OF HEALTH.

There is an insurance company in America which gives its clients a free medical examination every year at a cost of £100,000. The firm's profits have, however, gone up 80 per cent. since it began to do so. The assured clients are living longer owing to the medical advice they thus receive.

IRELAND'S GIFT TO PRINCESS MARY.



(1) Youghal Needle Point Lace Tea Cloth.
(2) Bedspread of handsomely Embroidered Linen, with insertion of Crochet Point Lace.
(3) Irish Point Lace Napkins.
(4) New Ross Needle Point Lace Tea Cloth.
(5) Ten Napkins in Youghal Needle Point.

WHEN Princess Mary's engagement to Viscount Lascelles was announced it evoked among many women of Southern Ireland a spontaneous desire to add what they could to Her Royal Highness's happiness. This wish was so manifest that Viscountess FitzAlan, assisted by a number of other ladies, decided to give concrete expression to this feeling, and a fund to purchase wedding gifts was opened. There was a very generous response.

The gifts might have meant nothing but an expenditure of money, but the Committee ensured that they would be recognised as tokens of love by making them characteristic of Ireland and its people. They gave Princess Mary a grey Irish hunter and a number of articles of household use.

The household articles were manufactured under the auspices of the Royal Irish Industries Association, 85 Grafton street, Dublin, and consist of the very finest specimens of Irish lace and embroidery, executed by skilled workers and technical students in cottages and schools in the Counties Wexford, Cork, Limerick, and Donegal.

One of the photographs represents a Youghal needle-point lace tea cloth. It is a beautiful thing of the finest sheer linen and lace. Square of form, every inch of it invites inspection. The needle-point is of a design based on the rose, shamrock, and histle, which are choicely formed, and united one to the other in an exquisite web of fine thread. This designed border, in generous depth, is carried through into the sheer centre of a delicate cream. In a corner of the linen centre is worked Her Royal Highness's monogram—an ornamental "M," surmounted by a coronet.

There were twelve tea napkins to match, each a work of the choicest skilled labour, and in miniature replicas of the larger cloth's design.

Two other handsome gifts were in the form of bedspreads. One was of Limerick lace, lined in the finest Irish poplin, the design being based on wild roses and true lovers' knots, with a decorative monogram and crown worked in very fine lace stitching.

Two pillow cases of similar beauty in design went with this bedspread. The other was a linen bedspread, hand-embroidered with point lace stitching. The flounce or border consists of an edging five inches deep of crochet point, designed with rose, shamrock, and thistle. The centre is of linen, embroidered at one part with the monogram "M" and a crown. It is separated by an insertion five inches deep of very beautiful crochet needle-point.

Other pieces which won great praise for the charm of their design and manufacture were an afternoon tea cloth of New Ross needle-point lace. It is of antique design, and with it went a dozen tea napkins, matching in facsimile the tea cloth. The napkins are daintly monogrammed, and on the tea cloth has been worked the crowned monogram "M" on one side and the date, "1922," at the other. This is a most beautiful specimen of Irish point lace in a nine-inch border.

All these articles are specimens of the highest skill and artistic finish, and their working gave much-needed employment which was highly appreciated by the workers in the various districts where they were done.

HERB-LORE IN EARLY IRELAND.

THAT the study of medicine flourished in Ireland from a remarkably early date would seem to be well established by an interesting article in this week's "Pharmaceutical Journal," in which many quaint prescriptions are quoted from early Celtic manuscripts, and the fame of our native physicians in foreign parts is shown by various legendary stories to have been already prevalent in "the shadowy times before the recording of events began."

The study of the native plants of Ireland must then have been followed with a zeal that it would be delightful to see emulated to-day by any considerable section of the citizens of the Free State. Herb-lore plays, as might be expected, a large part in the cures prescribed. The name of the shamrock not infrequently occurs, though we are warned that some uncertainty exists as to the identity of the plant meant by this name.

The writer of the article understands it generally to mean the wood-sorrel in the old documents from which he quotes; but it will be remembered that the late Mr. Colgan, who had investigated the subject with great care, held the ancient shamrog to have been undoubtedly one of the clovers (he could not be certain which), the wood-sorrel having the similar, but quite distinct, Celtic name of "sham-sog."

But whatever may be thought of the value of the old herbalists' prescriptions, there can be no doubt that in one branch of their art these practitioners could vie with the proudest and most up-to-date followers—in the hair-restoring line. What advertisement could exceed the following—an old MS. recipe for persons afflicted with baldness?:—

"Let calcine a raven, his ashes boil in sheep's suet, and rub to the head, and it cures. Item: With mice fill an earthen pipkin, stop the mouth with a lump of clay, and bury it beside a fire, but so as the fire's too great heat reach it not. So be it left for a year, and at a year's end take out whatever may be found therein. But it is urgent that he who shall lift it have a glove on his hand, lest at his fingers' ends the hair come sprouting forth."

What would one not give for a snapshot of the writer taken in the act of composing that finishing sentence!

C. B. M.

WHY VISITORS LIKE PARIS.

WHY do most people enjoy a visit to Paris?

Principally, because Paris is one of the most unconventional cities in the world; it is the place where one can do exactly as one pleases.

Paris is indulgent towards all whims and caprices. It permits us to humour the Bohemian instinct which is dormant somewhere in most human beings.

If the visitor has a sudden longing to walk along a crowded thoroughfare without a hat, he or she can follow this caprice. Or, if one's hat suddenly grows irksome, one can take it off—in Paris nothing is eccentric.

Ungloved hands are not "correct" in conventional cities—in Paris they are quite correct if one wishes. So the visitor throws off the glove tyranny, and blesses the Bohemian city that permits him or her to do so.

If a sudden fancy assails the woman visitor to wear her most elaborate afternoon frock in the morning, she does not hesitate. She strolls joyously along the Champs Elysées or the Rue de la Madeleine decked in all her glory. She has no scruples, no fear of horrified looks. She likes the city that gives her this freedom.

The visitor likes Paris because the lovely city has no iron-bound rules. If one wishes to sit in the dress-circle at the theatre clad in most obvious "day dress" one can do so without any feeling of mental discomfort. It is equally permissible to wear full evening dress in the gallery!

In Paris young men and maidens do not repair to the cinema in order to make love surreptitiously. They do so quite openly—and quite modestly—on streets and boulevards.

Visitors like Paris because it urges them to be *happy*. It also invites them to show their happiness openly.

No convention demands a mask to hide one's feelings in this Bohemian city. If the visitor feels like walking along a crowded boulevard with a foolish grin on his face he knows he can do so without attracting scared looks!

He can laugh loudly and joyously in public places. He may applaud enthusiastically and shout himself hoarse at the theatre.

All things are possible in Paris.

MARGARET BROWNE.

THE VICEREGAL COURT.

A Clean Sweep—Dublin Castle as It Was—A Place of Love and Romance.

(BY MICHAEL MACDONAGH.)

WHAT a clean sweep of ancient institutions associated with British government in Ireland has been made by the setting up of the Irish Free State! Gone are the Lord Lieutenant and his Viceregal Court! Gone is Dublin Castle as the seat of British Administration! But the Castle remains—as we shall see—a place with memories of love and romance.

In the fierce political light which had encompassed it for centuries, the Castle was one of the best known public buildings in the world. The first sight of it must have been always sorely disappointing to anyone endowed at all with historic imagination. Where are the massive battlements, the haughty keep, the deep, dark moat, the drawbridge and portcullis, which are associated with a historic Castle and the ancient seat of government? Not a trace of mediævalism is to be seen. On all sides of the courtyard are brick buildings, three storeys high, most prosaic and almost dingy. They look like a third-rate military barracks. Are these, then, the storied walls of Dublin Castle?—the walls, too, against which the bitterness, scorn, and rage of the Irish nation beat for many a long year!

The truth is that the buildings which we now see are not those that were the theatre of so many memorable incidents, especially in the stormy sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. Not a trace now remains of the original historic Castle, built in 1205, "as well to curb the city as to defend it, if occasion shall so require," as King John said in the patent he granted to Myler Fitz-Henry. The place is a place of antiquity; but the Castle of grim memories, secret chambers, of ghosts which walked in the night in clanking chains, had long disappeared.

"The Devil's Half Acre."

These unpretentious buildings around the quadrangle—known to the populace, with grim irony, as "the devil's half-acre"—were mainly erected early in the eighteenth century, and that was too late for historic ghosts. That low porch was the entrance to the State Departments—the residence during the Viceregal season of the Lord Lieutenant—occupying the entire western wing of the courtyard. All the other buildings were used for the chief offices of the Irish Government. There in that corner to the left was the Chief Secretary's Office, "that grim apartment in Dublin Castle," as Mr. John Morley says in his "Life of Gladstone," "where successive Chief Secretaries spend anxious hours in saying 'No' to impossible demands, and hunting for plausible answers to insoluble riddles." Of the aspect of Dublin Castle, as a whole, it may be said it was shabby, rather than gloomy and forbidding.

The Lord Lieutenant's Court.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland played two parts which were contradictory, and really ought to have been incompatible in one person in public life. He was the representative in Ireland of a Constitutional Sovereign, who is above party, and, at the same time, he was a member of the Government of the day, by whom he was appointed, whose political policy he carried out in Ireland, and with whom he quitted office, if they resigned or were dismissed by the country at a General Election. In truth, no one but a wealthy peer could afford to be Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, for the hospitality which he was expected to dispense entailed heavy drawings on his private balance at the bank. Besides the salary there was an annual grant of close on £5,000 for the payment of the members of the Household. The Court had its chaplain, its physician-in-ordinary, its surgeon-in-ordinary, its surgeon to the Household, its surgeon oculist, and its surgeon dentist, just like the Court of the King, whose under-study the Lord Lieutenant was in Ireland. And His Excellency possessed two of the Royal prerogatives. He could make Knights. He could commute sentences and pardon criminals. But just as the King does these things on the advice, as a rule, of his Prime Minister and Home Secretary respectively, so the Viceroy, as the fountain of honour or of mercy in Ireland, acted as a rule by direction of his Chief Secretary.

The Court season at the Castle was brief. It opened on February 1 and ended on March 17 (St. Patrick's Day); but into these six weeks were crowded many State and social functions. Drawing Rooms, Levées, dinners, concerts, gala nights at the theatre, and balls. During the season the Lord Lieutenant resided at the Castle, and for the rest of the year his home was the Viceregal Lodge. The etiquette of the Viceregal Court was as elaborate and ceremonial in its mimic way as the etiquette of the Royal Court at Buckingham Palace or Windsor. There was a "Court Circular," in which the movements of the Viceroy were daily chronicled. The public were told that he drove, rode, hunted, attended some function, went to a race meeting, or some other festivity, or gave a dinner. The names of guests staying at Dublin Castle or Viceregal Lodge and of those who "have the honour of being included in the Viceregal dinner"—as the Court Chronicler puts it—were also published.

Viceregal Etiquette.

The Viceroy was styled "His Excellency," and was addressed as "Sir," just like the King. His lady was, by courtesy, called "Her Excellency," but in this case, as in the case of a King and his Queen Consort, he was the superior being, and whatever glory she possessed was but reflected from him. The Viceroy took precedence of everyone but the Sovereign. When he entered a room in which company were assembled they all rose and remained standing until he intimated that they might be seated. He led into dinner the lady who was highest in rank, and Her Excellency followed with the greatest male personage present.

A lady staying at the Castle or Viceregal Lodge needed to be an adept at curtseying. She was supposed to curtsey whenever she met the Viceroy. At dinner Her Excellency indicated the time for the ladies to leave the table. She first saluted the Viceroy with a curtsey, and backed out of the room, and was followed by the other ladies in due order of precedence, each in like manner curtseying to His Excellency as she passed backwards from his presence.

At a Drawing Room.

The presentations to the Viceroy at Levées and Drawing Rooms were held in the Throne Room. Gentlemen wore Court dress at the Levées, and at the Drawing Rooms the young *débutantes* were in white—all plumes and trains. The Throne Room was, like all the other State apartments in Dublin Castle, simply furnished. Except for the Throne there was not much to differentiate the apartment from a waiting room in a big hotel. It was decorated in white and gold, and its carpet and draperies were in dark crimson. Corinthian pillars supported its painted ceiling, from which hung a massive chandelier, and round its walls were a series of medallions ascribed to Angelica Kauffmann. Still, at a presentation the scene in the Throne Room, with its blaze of electric lights, was brilliant, indeed.

The Viceroy.

The Viceroy wore a closely-buttoned dark dress coat, heavily embroidered in gold, a broad blue sash across his breast, dainty white ruffles in place of a collar, white plush breeches, a sword by his side, and he carried a three-corned hat in his left hand. We see him, in our minds eye, standing in front of the Throne, his consort by his side, and the officers of the Household grouped about him. The doors of an adjoining saloon to the left of the Throne are opened, and the ladies who are to be presented advance in single file along the further side of the room opposite the Throne, holding the long trains of their dresses over their arms. Each *débutante* has a card which she hands to the Chamberlain at the door, and as she passes in he calls out: "Miss Mary O'Connell, presented by Mrs. Costello." The next must be a very trying one to the young lady. For weeks she has been practising curtseying at home, and, no doubt, to curtsey before her mirror was the last thing she did, arrayed in her plumes and her white silk, velvet, or satin, and her train extending many a yard, before setting out for Dublin Castle. Now she has to curtsey to His Excellency in person beneath the critical scrutiny of a band of dashing young *aides-de-camp* and officers of the Household with disconcerting moustaches. An *aide-de-camp* takes her train off her arm, and spreads it out on the floor. She advances, greatly agitated, towards the Throne, and, within a few feet of the Lord Lieutenant, sinks to the ground.

It is a pretty sight, indeed, to see a graceful curtsey by a pretty girl in all her raiment of silk and plumes. But occasionally accidents happen. She sinks down, down, and still further down—ah! The hearts of the young officers chivalrously jump to their throats at the sight of a lady in seeming distress. But, thank goodness, all is right. His Excellency gives his hand to the girl at the critical moment, just as a catastrophe seemed inevitable. And as the fair, trembling girl rises, the Viceroy bends down and imprints a kiss on both her blushing cheeks!

The Kiss of Fealty.

It was a privilege of the Viceroy to kiss, if he chose, every lady presented to him for the first time—the one privilege which, perhaps, was most envied by the young *aides-de-camp*, for those Irish girls, fresh from the country, were proverbially beautiful. Sometimes the kiss was perfunctory, but sometimes it was so warm that a reminiscent expression comes into the face of Her Excellency.

Again curtseying, the young lady backed out of the room, with her train caught up and placed over her arm again by an *aide-de-camp*. So the curtseying and kissing, the kissing and curtseying, went on till the long line of ladies at last came to an end. Often of an evening His Excellency distributed kisses to the number of a hundred or so. It was called "the kiss of fealty;" but, no doubt, it tasted as sweet by that as by an other name.

Not all Viceroys, however, availed themselves of this privilege. Lord Aberdeen, for instance, used to sit with his consort during the presentations, and pleasantly bow and smile to each lady as she was announced. It seems that the Viceroy, if he kissed at all, could not pick and choose among the *débutantes* in the bestowal of his favours, but must treat every lady on the list alike, whether pretty and trembling girls, or matrons and spinsters, stolid and plain, gallantly giving his kiss to all, cheerfully and with an air of enjoyment. But the ladies evidently appreciated the kiss of fealty. For surely it was more than a coincidence that when the custom was suspended during the viceroyalty of Earl Cadogan, there was a remarkable falling off in the number of presentations.

The Dudley Regime.

However, it was restored by his successor, Lord Dudley, and Dublin in the season was once more crowded with madcap girls from the provinces, full of gaiety and life, as eager to be kissed at a drawingroom by "His Ex." —as the Viceroy was popularly called—as to try their luck at capturing a husband at a State ball in the Castle.

So it will be seen that all was not shadow and gloom in Dublin Castle. Not one stone of the place of ancient wrongs and agonies—as the Nationalists regard it—stands upon another. The Castle of the twentieth century had no dungeons, but it had wine cellars. The ghosts that haunt them are those of jovial spirits, boisterous in their liquor, and if any distinctive odour survives it is the odour, not of blood, but of the mingled fumes of wine and steaming punch. More than that, in the spring time of every year that rather squalid palace on Cork Hill was transfigured in the light of youth and innocence and beauty. It was, indeed, for many people a place of fragrant memories, for it was there that romance first came into their lives!

COMMON SENSE.

I HAVE been very much intrigued for the last few weeks in the contemplation of this most illusive and much-talked-of adhesion to the character of man; but the more I become intrigued, so much the more do I find a great difficulty in trying to unearth its dwelling-place. Yet, as a ponder upon the difficulty which I myself have experienced in its pursuit, I continually arrive at the conclusion that there are many people who have been more fortunate than myself, in that they have, according to their own attitude and story, acquired this most inestimable of all virtues.

If I make a blunder, and invite sympathy from those whom I may expect to receive it, by narrating the very sad circumstances which have been the cause of my sorrow, I am offered the panacea, which irritates instead of soothing, "Why did you not use a little bit of common sense?" I have invariably, as a well-established practice, always asked—"What would you have done were you in my place?" Very fair, is it not? in order to find out in what manner the unsympathiser has become possessed of such a priceless treasure? Invariably, too, has come an answer, always on the same lines: an exact solution of the problem, a Solomonistic dispensation of wisdom, an ethical denunciation of the sequence of my actions which would undoubtedly have converted the mind of Machiavelli, had he been treated to it before writing his *Del Principe*, and to finish up, a peroration which must make the soul of John Bright envious as he "listens in" to the continual "broadcasting" of the owners of "Common Sense."

But then, my friends, here is the secret why so many of the "unsympathisers" can wallow in giving advice to me; I have always told them the facts of the case in the order in which they occurred: they have always had the bricks with which to build the palace, whilst I, poor fool, have had not so much as a fool rule, just the ordinary thinking power of mortals, and not one grain of common sense. This is the sad story of the man who is going through life as an outcast: everyone around him looks upon him as one unclean. Why? They all possess what he does not—common sense.

Do not think that I am complaining against Providence for overlooking me at the time it was dishing out the Virtues; rather, look on me as one who has recognised that he is but a butt or a poignant example, upon whom those wiseacres may demonstrate the greatness of the virtue he does not possess. Yet is there one thing that troubles me mightily; I look forward with a certain amount of trepidation to the day when I shall find myself in some other sphere surrounded with a crowd of pitying "I-told-you-soes."

Even in this little corner or blot in the firmament, I am continually surrounded by the members of this confraternity, but never more so than when I seek a little innocent enjoyment and excitement within the confines of a racecourse. I must admit, however, that I may be partly to blame for the present state of things, as I have a decidedly marked affinity for backing the "hundred-to-one" chances, when those philanthropists of the Bag and Book invite me to acquire a little cash and common sense.

Occasionally a friend, who has passed the night in the favourite's box, and told me that this favourite was out to ruin a whole army of "bookies" with the result that I have never liked to doubt the favourite's opinion which had been given with such confidence the night before; but what worries me exceedingly is the fact, that no matter to what racecourse I wend my weary way, I always see the same bookies, bawling the same things, about the same horses, and never can I detect a tear in the their voices which would show that they are as worried over matters financial as I am myself.

But that is not the worst part of the story: when I have had a quiet chat with the favourite's friend as to the unreliability with which he has reported the conversation which took place the night before in the horse-box, I have been told that the horse must have changed its mind—it most certainly did, or the judge must have made a howling mistake. But, again, that is not by any means the worst part of the story: in nine cases out of ten "hundred-to-one chance" has passed the post first, gone home to its stable, had a bran mash, a rub down, a "double" water, and a few other things, before the favourite saw that the tapes were up. How I do wish I had a little "Common Sense."

W. L. P.

WOMAN'S REASON.

"What leads you to believe that defendant is married?" a woman was asked at Marylebone (London) County Court yesterday.

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Colds

Someone has truthfully said that "the road to Kingdom Come is paved with neglected colds," and the "grand entry" for cold trouble is, of course, the nose. So it's up to us all to keep guard there. Science has fortunately provided a really reliable, effective "sentry." "Nostroline" is the name, and the fame already acquired by this wonderful Nasal Remedy is widespread and remarkable. But no more remarkable than it deserves, for "Nostroline" is a positive blessing to all who suffer from Nasal Catarrh, Cold in the Head, or Nasal Colds of any kind. It is an instant cure, and a simpler specific you could not imagine. No preparation necessary, nothing to measure out, nothing to drink, no sheet of rules to read, just a tiny smear in each nostril occasionally. That's all. Medical men all over the country are recommending "Nostroline." They have faith in it; and as for the public, the demand

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

WEEK-END MARKET BETTER GENERALLY. RAILS OCCASIONALLY GOOD. DUNLOPS FIRM. OILS BETTER.

The feature of the week-end market on 'Change was the improved demand for Home Railway Stocks, notably Midland Great Western Ord., and some inquiry was also experienced for other local securities such as Banks and Distillery issues. The Funds were irregular, more or less, as usual. Dublin Port and Docks were wanted. Bank Stock and Provincials, among banking securities, were prominently good. City Steam was quieter, as stock changed hands at the previous day's enhanced bid. Marconi's again drifted lower. Dublin United Tram Ord. again eased. Dunlop Rubber and Parent Tyres were both firm, but unaffected by the statements recently made affecting their respective interests. Textiles and Tobaccos were on balance firm, and Oils were better on solid support. The increased interim dividend by Edward and John Burke was encouraging, and satisfactory evidence of current trading and general prospects.

The Funds moved irregularly. Consols rose, ⅛ to 56⅛, and Irish Land 3 p.c., with interest from next gale, ½ to 62½, while Funding Loan fell ⅜ to 86. Conversion Loan ⅛ to 75⅜, and War Loan 5 p.c. ⅛ to 99⅛-½. Dublin Port and Docks 5½ p.c. closed again round about 58 nominally.

Banks were firm. Bank Stock rose 1 to 230, and Provincials ¼ to 22½, but Nationals eased ⅛ to 18½, while Hibernians repeated 6⅞, and Munster and Leinsters 6½.

Firmness also obtained for Breweries and Distilleries. Dublin Distillers' Debs. rose ⅛ to 61 and J. Power and Son Pref. 1½d. to 23s. 1½d. Guinness Ord. repeated 44½, but the Pref., after opening ⅛ lower at 111½, were later up to 12 for a small lot.

City of Dublin Steam quoted 141, a rise of ¼ on last business done level, and the Pref. again closed 100 to 102 nominally, against 103, the previous quotation.

Marconis opened 9d. lower at 41s. 9d., but later rallied to 42s. 4½d.

Home Rails were much more in evidence, although actual dealing was limited to a few stocks. Midland Great Western opened and closed in strong demand, and finally a rise of 1½ was established at 27, 27½, 28. Great Southern was bid up ½ to 45½, but no stock offered under 46½, while the Guaranteed, for an exceptional lot, was sold at 58, or 1½ under previous marking. Great Northern Pref. was firm at 65, and the Debs. at 76.

In Trams, a few Dublin United Ord. were sold at 6½, a further drop of ½.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. opened firm at 9s. 1½d., and later closed at 9s. 4½d., with the Deb. stock 109. Parent Tyre Pref. and Ord. closed firm; the latter repeated 16s. 1½d.

In Drapery shares Crowe Wilson Ord. closed 20s. 2d. nominally. Pim Bros. Pref. fell 2s. 6d. to 82s. 6d.

As regards Manufacturing Shares, British-American Tobacco realised 38s. 6d., and Imperials rose 3d. to 72s. 9d. Coats eased 1½d. to 64s. 6d., but Cottons rose 3d. to 46s. 6d., and Spinners repeated 41s. Countaulds fell 3d. to 58s. 9d. Lever Brothers 7 p.c. show no change at 20s. 4½d.

In Trading, etc., Brooks Thomas Ord. fell 1s. to 23s. 6d. for a broken lot.

Other business done was in Amalgamated Cotton Mills Trust "B" 7½ p.c. Pref. at 16s. 4½d. Oils were good. Mexican Eagles rose 10½d. to 47s. 4½s. 9d., and Shells 2s. 6d. to 80s. 6d., while the 7 p.c. 2nd Pref. realised 25s. 6d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.
Transactions for cash marked "c."

Cossis .....(56) 56½ | M.G.W. Ord. .....
57 Irish (5%) 99⅛ | (56½) 57 7⅛ 8
Funding Loan (56½) 86 | G.N. Pref. .....(63) 63
Conver. Loan (75⅜) 75¾ | Do. Guar. .....(64) 65
War Bonds 1923..104½ | Do. Deb. .....(76) 76
War Bonds 1925..105½ | Dublin Tram. ..(5⅝) 6⅛
War Bonds, 1927..105½ | Pim Pref. ....(85½) 82/6
3½ Land Stock next | Parent Ord.(16/1½) 16/1½
sale .....(65) 62½ | Dunlops..(9/3) 9/1½ 9/4½
Bank Ireland.(225) 230 | Do. Deb. .....(109)
Hibernian .....67½ | B.A.T. .....(39/6) 38/6
Mun. & Lein....(64) 62 | Imp. Tob. ...(72/6) 72/9
National .....(19) 18½ | Imperials.(64½) 72½
Provincial .....(22½) 22⅜ | Cottons .....(46/3) 46/3
Dub. Dist. Deb.(59½) 61 | Spinners .....(41/-) 41/-
Guinness .....(44½) 44½ | Countaulds ...(58/9) 58/9
Do. 4½ (114½) 114½ | Goulding .....(20/-) 20/-
Lever Pref. .(20/-) 20/1½ | Lever 7% ...(20/4½) 20/4½
City Steam .(140½) 141 | Brooks Ord.(24/6) *23/6
Marconi (43/6) 41/9 2/4½ | Amal. Cotton B Pref.
S.S.W. Ord. .....(16/4½
.....(45½)45/3 45/4½ | Mex. E.(45/10½) 47/- 6/9
Do. "Guar. ....(59½) *58 | Shells .....(73/-) 80/6
Do. 2nd Pref....23/9
*Odd lot; b bid a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS RATE.

Discount ..... 4 p.c. 13th July.
Deposit ..... 1½ p.c. 15th June.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day..... Dec. 14 | Dec. 22
General contango day.... Dec. 18 | Dec. 27
Ticket day ..... Dec. 14 | Dec. 28
Account day ..... Dec. 18 | Dec. 29

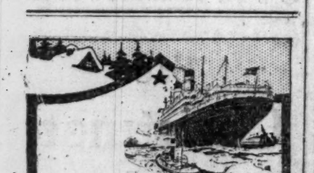
BELFAST.

The week closed with improved conditions on Belfast Exchange, the amount of business transacted being above the average. War Loan was done at 99½-99⅞. Northern Banking "A" Shares repeated 5⅞; London County Westminster and Parrs Bank firm at 17⅜. Coats showed no change at 66s. 3d. York street Flax Spinning Ord. repeated 28½, their 6 per cent. Pref. 9½, and 7 per cent. Pref. 21s. 3d. Inglis Ord. were 1s. better at 47s. 6d.; Wm. Cowan Ord. at 4½ showed no change. Old Bushmills firm at 3½. Fairbairn Lawson Combe Barbour Ord. were 1s. 6d. higher at 27s. 6d. Imperial Tobacco showed no change at 73s. Lever 7 per cent. Pref. at 20s. 4½d., and their 8 per cent. Pref. at 19s. 9d., showed little change. Anglo-Persian Oil closed 25s. 7

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Movements evenly balanced. Calthorpes better. Dennis strengthened to 29/-. Rovers firmer. Singers relapsed. Dunlops bought on annual report hopes. Austins, 1/9; Belsize, 8/3; Components, 7/6; S.T.D., 6/9; Enfields, 33/-; Humbers, 21/10½; Napiers, 6/3; Rolls, 22/4½; Rovers, 20/3; Sibgers, 23/10½; Swifts, 12/9; Triumphs, 34/-; Vauxhalls, 7/3; Dunlops, 9/6; Parent Deferred, 26/-; Harper Bean, 1/1½; Calthorpe, 11/6.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles eased on account realising. Bleachers, 40/-41/-; do. Pref., 21/2 6; Calicos, 20/6-21/-; do. Pref., 16/6-16/9; Dyers, 41/6-42/-; do. Pref., 19/9-20/-; Cotton, 45/6-46/4; do. Pref., 19/6-19/9; Spinners, 40/6-41/6; do. Pref., 19/6-19/9; "Slubbers," 8/9-9/3; Coats, 64/6-65/6; Ship Canal, 5/6; do. Pref., 61-21, Velvets, 25/6-27/-



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APATHETIC STOCKS.

GILT-EDGED SAGGING.

(FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT AND THE FINANCIAL NEWS OF TO-DAY.)

It is difficult to find the exact reason for the continued apathy in the Stock Markets. Gilt-edged issues sagged further yesterday, and one theory advanced for this is that the slight improvement now being manifested in trade is encouraging banks and industrial concerns to find channels for the employment of their funds other than in investment stocks. That in itself, if true, is a good sign, and should lead on to an early market recovery. But meanwhile operators are obsessed with the general lack of demand. Consols and Local Loans sustained the biggest decline yesterday, though all the leading stocks in this department were marked down. Towards the close the market showed a tendency to harden. Home Rails were a very firm market all day, in spite of business being restricted. The chief feature was the continued demand for "Floras," though nothing is apparently known in market circles in confirmation of the rumoured agreement in connection with fusion terms between the Caledonian and North-Western Companies. In the Foreign Bond market dealings were commenced in the new City of Bergen Loan on the basis of 2½ discount. The discovery was made later that permission had not been given by the Stock Exchange Committee for dealings to take place in the scrip. We understand, however, that subsequently in the day permission was granted, and that authorised dealings then occurred at the price mentioned above.

LONDON STOCKS UNCERTAIN.

PRICES DROOPING.

The Stock markets were rather uncertain, for business was very slack and prices showed a disposition to droop. In the gilt-edged market the decline was general. Consols fell ½ to 55½, the 5 p.c. War Loan fell ¼ to 99½, Funding Loan fell ½ to 85½, the Conversion Loan at 74½ was ¼ lower, Treasury Bonds lost ¼ at 105, India 3½ p.c. Loan at 63 fell ½.

In FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES French Fours gained ½ to 22. Brazil 4 p.c. rose 1 to 43. Peruvian Corporation at 3 gained ¼. Chinese Loans were dull; the Fives of 1896 at 94 and the 4½ p.c. of 1898 at 84 both fell 1. Japanese New Fives lost a point at 85.

HOME RAILS showed a strong disposition to improve. South-Eastern Def. rose 1 to 53½. Underground Debs. at 107 also rose a point. Brighton "A" rose ½ to 65; Great Northern Pref. at 68½ and the Def. at 45 both rose ¼. London and North-Western at 104½ was ½ higher, as were London South-Western Def. at 34½. Caledonian Def. Ord. rose ¼ to 14½, Chatham Ord. fell ¼ to 8½ and Great Central ¼ to 8½.

In COLONIAL and FOREIGN RAILWAYS movements were few. Argentines were inclined to recover. Pacifics rose 1 to 83½ and Westerns ½ to 90. Central Uruguay fell ½ to 46 and Leopoldina ¼ to 36½.

OIL SHARES START WELL.

A VERY DULL FINISH.

Following on the improvement which occurred in the Oil share market on Thursday, a distinctly firm start was made yesterday, leading shares, and particularly Shells and Mexican Eagles, being bid for at advancing prices. Transactions in the leaders generally, in fact, were on quite a good scale during the early hours, and there appeared every indication of a cheerful close to the week. The market, however, proved a disappointing one, for in the afternoon sales were encountered on Paris account, which, while they particularly affected Mexican Eagles, created a general feeling of nervousness, and prices of practically all the leading shares slipped back, while several of the more speculative favourites weakened in sympathy. Consequently the market had an irregular appearance at the close. Royal Dutch closed without alteration, but Shells, Mexican Eagles, Anglo-Persians, and Burmahs all finished slightly easier. Among Rumanians, Phoenix Oil and Transports provided the chief feature. After a firm opening the shares came on offer, while banging tactics were subsequently adopted, which had the effect of forcing the price down appreciably. Towards the end, however, an improvement became noticeable, while in the "street" dealings the shares were strongly bid for, with the result that the early loss was made good very quickly, and at the end a small gain was registered. Rumanian Consolidated also strengthened. No further official information has come to hand regarding the settlement of the company's claim for compensation. Business in Trinidad issues was of an unimportant character. In other directions the British Controlled issues were quietly steady, and V.O.C. Holdings continued to receive support and further strengthened. Closing prices:—

1½	Agwi Petroleum	1½	1½ – ⅛
1/3	Anglo-American	1/3	1/3
22/6	Anglo-Ecuadorian	20/-	21/6 – 0/3
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅛
24/0	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	25/-	25/7½ – 0/3
23/9	Do. 9 p.c. and Pref.	24/-	24/7½ – 0/3
4⅜	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	4⅜	4⅜ – ⅛
2⅜	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	2⅜	2⅜
2⅜	Apex Trinidad	1⅜	2⅜
3	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	3	3
10/9	British Burmah (£/-)	10/9	10/9
8/10½	British Controlled	7/7½	8/1½
10/4½	Do. Pref.	9/6	9/6 – ⅛
6	Burmah	6	6
18/9	Kern River (10/-)	17/7½	18/1½
2/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	2/-	2/-
1/1½	Caltex	1/1½	1/1½
2	Dacia Romano	2	2
5/-	Eagle Oilfields	5/-	5/-
99⅛	Do. 7 p.c Notes	99	99
20/6	Do. Bearer	20/6	20/6
2/6	General Pet. Trinidad	2/10½	2/10½ +0/1½
4/0	Indo Burmah	3/6	3/6
18/9	Kern River (10/-)	17/7½	18/1½
5/-	Lobitos	5/-	5/-
2/-	Mexican Eagle	2/-	2/-
2½	Do. Pref.	2½	2½
18/3	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	17/6	18/0
12/6	North Caucasian (10/-)	12/6	12/6
1/3	Oilfields Egypt	1/3	1/3
—	Pera Syndicate	3/3	3/3 – 0/3
23/0	Phoenix	23/7½	24/1½ +0/3
4/45	Premier Oil	4/0	4/0
12/4½	Rumanian Consolidated	11/9	12/3 – 0/3
35	Royal Dutch	34½	35½
1/1½	Scottish American	1/1½	1/1½
9/-	Shell Transport	8/-	8/- + ⅛
9/-	Do. 6 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9	9
22/0	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	22/4½	22/7½
3/4½	Spies (10/-)	3/7½	3/7½ – 0/1½
9/6	Stenos Romana	8/9	9/0 +0/3
5/9	Tankers Pref.	5/3	5/9
1/-	Trinidad Central	1/-	1/-
1/-	Trinidad Leaseholds	1/-	1/- + ⅛
23/0	United Brit. Trinidad	23/-	23/-
1/-	Ural Caspian	1/-	1/-
8/0	Ural Oil	8/10½	7/4½ – 0/1½
—	V.O.C. Holdings	13/0	13/4 +0/6
—	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	12/6	12/6 +0/6

OIL SHARES NOT SO GOOD.

The Rubber share market was not so well maintained yesterday, and prices were inclined to sag. Damansara fell 1s. 6d. to 14s. 3d., Highlands 1s. 3d. to 32s. 6d., Kasintoe 1s. 9d. to 17s., and Seramban 1s. to 11s. 3d. Tremelbye rose 2s. to 18s. 3d., the only substantial rise on the day. The price of rubber remains at 15¾d. per lb. Closing prices:—

s.U.			
3/-	Anglo-Dutch	2/11½	–0/3
2/9	Anglo-Java	2/10½	
1	Anglo-Malay	20/7½	–1/3
4/6	Bertam Cons.	4/10½	
2/9	Bukit Rajah	2/9	–0/1½
1/6	Bukit Sembawang	1/7	–0/1
1/3	Damansara	14/3	–1/3
18/9	Grand Central	18/9	+0/1½
1/4	Highlands	32/6	–1/3
3/0	Kamuning	3/1½	
4/3	Kepong	4/3	+0/1½
1/6	Kuala Lumpur	16/7½	+0/7½
1/9	Labu	1/9	
3/3	Lingsi	31/3	–0/7½
3/10½	London Asiatic	3/10½	
7	Malacca	6/9	
23/0	Malaya	23/3½	–0/1½
2/4½	Merlimau	2/4½	
15/0	Mooda Valley	14/10½	
2/-	Port Dickson	2/4½	
2/6	Rubber Trust	2/4½	
1/3	Seedeli	1/3	
28/9	Sendayan	28/9	
2/6	Serdang	2/6	
18/9	Serdang Deb.	17/6	+0/3
22/0	Tall Ayer	21/0	+0/6
1/-	Tandjong	21/6½	
—	Un. Serdang	3/4	–0/1
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1/9	Labu	1/9	
3/3	Lingsi	31/3	–0/7½
3/10½	London Asiatic	3/10½	
7	Malacca	6/9	
23/0	Malaya	23/3½	–0/1½
2/4½	Merlimau	2/4½	
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CLOSING PRICES.

The quotations in the following tables were made up as an earlier hour than, and may, therefore, vary to some extent from, those given in our comments:—

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols ..... 55 3/8 – ⅛
War Loan 5% ..... 99⅛ – ⅛
Do. 4½% ..... 94½-95⅛ – ⅛
Do. 4% ..... 85-86 – ⅛
Do. 3½ ..... 72⅞-73⅛ – ⅛
Fun'd'g Ln. ..... 85-86 – ⅛
Victory Bds... 89½-90⅛
N.Y. Conv. Ln... 74⅛-7⅜ – ⅛
Treas'y 5% 1945-1947 – ⅛
Irish Land 3% 57 3/8
India 3½ ..... 64 3/8 – ⅛
Do. 4% ..... 87½-88½ – ⅛
Do. 5% 99⅜-100⅜
Do. 2½ 110-11
Local Loans 5⅜-5⅝

FOREIGN BONDS.

69¾ Argentine, 1886 ..... 69 | 101
87 Do. 5 p.c. 1907 ..... 87 | 89
44 Brazil 4 p.c. 1889 ..... 42 | 44 +1
40⅜ Do. Funding ..... 1908 ..... 40 | 41
85¾ Do. 5 p.c. 1914 ..... 84 | 86
47⅜ Chinese 6 p.c. 1905 ..... 46 | 48 –1
94⅞ Do. 4½ p.c. 1896 ..... 83 | 85 –1
71⅜ Do. 4 p.c. 1910 ..... 71 | 74
69⅜ Egyptian Unified ..... 68 | 70
29⅜ French Loan ..... 29 | 30
21⅝ Do. 4 p.c. ..... 21 | 23 + ⅜
½ German 5 p.c. ..... ½
21⅛ Italian Rentes ..... 21 | 23
104 Japanese 4½ p.c. 1st ..... 100 | 103
87 Do. 4 p.c. 1905 ..... 87 | 89
89⅜ Do. New 5 p.c. 1907 ..... 85 | 87 –1
43⅛ Mexican 5 p.c. 1899 ..... 43 | 46
48⅝ Do. 4 p.c. 1904 ..... 45 | 48
4⅛ Peruvian Corporation ... 4⅛ | 4⅜ + ⅛
21½ Do. Pref. ..... 20½ | 23½
20 Do. Deb. ..... 20 | 23
105¾ Portuguese 3 p.c. ..... 105 | 106
— Russian 4 p.c. ..... 5 | 7
— Do. 5 p.c., 1906 10
103⅜ San Paulo 5 p.c. ..... 102 | 105
— Spanish 4 p.c. ..... 34 | 36
44½ Uruguay 3½ p.c. ..... 35½ | 38½

HOME RAILS.

63¾ Brighton A ..... 64½ | 65⅞ + ⅜
47 Caledonian Def. Ord. ... 46½ | 48 + ⅛
38 Chatham Ord. ..... 8 | 8⅜ – ⅛
9⅜ Great Central Def. ..... 8⅜ | 9 – ⅛
— Do. Eastern ..... 28½ | 29¼
69¾ Do. Northern Pref. ..... 68 | 69 + ⅜
44 Do. Def. ..... 44⅜ | 45¼ + ⅜
106 Do. Western ..... 106⅛ | 106⅞
102¾ L. and North Western ... 101 | 103 + ⅛
— Do. 4½ p.c. Pref. ..... 98 | 99
33⅞ L. and S.W. Def. ..... 32 | 33 + ⅛
— L. and S.W. New Pref. ... 87 | 88
99¾ Metropolitan ..... 99¾ | 99⅞
— Do. 5 p.c. Pref. ..... 93 | 98
— Do. District ..... 45 | 48
47¾ Midland Def. ..... 46½ | 47
70 North British Def. ..... 68½ | 69¾ –
150 North-Eastern Cons. ..... 132½ | 133½
— Do. 4 p.c. Pref. ..... 97 | 98
31½ South-Eastern Def. ..... 30 | 31 +1
— Do. 5 p.c. Pref. ..... 96 | 97
5 Underground Electric ... 5¼ | 5
67 Do. Second Deben. ..... 67 | 68
103 Do. 5 p.c. Debs. ..... 106 | 108 +1

AMERICAN RAILS.

— Atchison ..... 109 | 111
— Baltimore ..... 41 | 42 –1
— Chesapeake ..... 54 | 56 –1
— Chicago, Milwaukee ..... 25 | 27
15¾ Erie ..... 17 | 18
— Do. Pref. ..... 31 | 33
— Illinois Central ..... 93 | 96
— New York, Ontario ..... 21 | 23
23¾ Southern Common ..... 24 | 25
— Do. Pref. ..... 84 | 86
— Southern Pacific ..... 93 | 96 –1
— Union Pacific ..... 142 | 145 –1

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

22 Antofagasta ..... 22 | 23
— Argentine G.W. Ord. ..... 73½ | 75½
— Bahia Blanca ..... 77 | 79
— Brazil Railway Common. ... 34 | 36
— Buenos Ayres Pacific ..... 84 | 86
82 Buenos Ayres and W. ..... 79½ | 82½
82 Buenos Ayres and W. ..... 79 | 81
184½ Canadian Pacific ..... 184 | 186 + ½
77 Central Argentine ..... 75 | 77
49 Central Uruguay ..... 45 | 47 –½
— Entre Rios ..... 23 | 25
— Do. 5 p.c. Pref. ..... 64½ | 66
— Grand Trunk ..... 24 | 25
— Do. 4 p.c. Guaranteed.. 76 | 78
— Do. 1st Pref. ..... 7 | 8
— Do. 2nd Pref. ..... 5 | 6
— Do. 3rd Pref. ..... 3 | 4
— Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.... 73 | 75
127½ Leopoldina ..... 36 | 37 –½
13 Mexican Rails ..... 12½ | 13½
38 Do. 8 p.c. Pref. ..... 37 | 39
38 Do. 5 p.c. Pref. ..... 37 | 39
— Mexican Nat. 1st Pref. .. 7 | 9
— Mexican Nat. 2nd Pref... 3½ | 3¾
— San Paulo ..... 73 | 75 –½
70 United Havana ..... 68½ | 70½

BANKS.

— Agricultural of Egypt... 8¾ | 9⅛
— Anglo-South American ... 8⅝ | 8⅞
— Australasia ..... 12 | 13½
— Bank New South Wales.. 23½ | 24⅛
— Bank New Zealand (£1) 23½ | 24⅜
— Barclays ..... 21 | 21½
— British of Foreign Trade 2 | 3
— British Overseas ..... 5 | 5⅛ – ⅛
— Chartered of India ..... 3 | 3⅛
— Canadian of Commerce.. 40 | 42
— Hong Kong ..... 117 | 119
— Lloyds ..... 37/8 | 38/9
— London and Brazilian ... 18½ | 19½ + ⅛
— London City Midland ... 18⅜ | 18⅞
— London, Westminster ... 17¾ | 18⅛
— Midland ..... 13⅜ | 13⅝
— Standard South Africa... 11¼ | 12¼
— Union of Australia ..... 13 | 13½

TELEGRAPHS.

23½ Anglo-American Def. ... 23⅜ | 23⅞ + ⅛
— Marconi Ord. ..... 2/4 | 2/5
7⅜ Do. Pref. ..... 7 | 7⅛
— Do. Marine ..... 1 | 1⅛
10/6 Do. Canada ..... 10/- | 10/6
13/6 Radio Corporation ..... 13/- | 13/6 – 0/4½
— Do. Pref. ..... 17/10½ | 18/4½ – 0/6

MISCELLANEOUS.

— Aboukir Land ..... 7½ | 8
13/0 Aerated Bread ..... 12½ | 13½
18 Allans ..... 17½ | 18½
6/0 Allsopp £1 Shares ..... 5 | 6
— Do. 5 p.c. Pref. ..... 85 | 90
110 Amalgamated Cotton ... 110 | 120 –0/3
2⅜ Anglo-Argentine ..... 2⅜ | 2⅝
22/0 Anglo-Californ Nitrate ... 22 | 23¼
22/0 Do. Pref. ..... 23 | 24
7/0 Apprentice Workers Land 7 | 8
21/7 Do. Southern Land ..... 21 | 23
17/3 Armstrong ..... 16 | 16 + ⅛
17/6 Associated Cements ..... 16/3 | 16/6
127/6 Do. Pref. ..... 123 | 128
— Bartholomay Pref. ..... 1 | 1½
— Bass, Ratcliff Pref. ..... 98 | 99
28/3 Bovril Ord. ..... 27½ | 28
— British Glass ..... 1/7½ | 2/1½
24/6 British Portland Cement 23/0 | 25/0
8/6 B.S.A. ..... 8/0 | 10/
28/6 British Oil and Cake ... 28 | 30
14/3 Brunner Mond ..... 13/0 | 14/0
8/6 B.R.C. Land ..... 8/0 | 9/0
4/6 Brazilian Traction ..... 4/7 | 4/9
7/3 Brit. Col. Electric Rails.. 7 | 8
— Do. 44 p.c. Deb. ..... 30 | 40
— British Glass ..... 1/7½ | 2/1½
24/6 British Portland Cement 23/0 | 25/0
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— Do. 44 p.c. Deb. ..... 30 | 40
— Bryant and May ..... 4/6 | 4/9
12/6 Bleachers ..... 2½ | 3½
— Brit.-Amer. Tobacco ... 30/- | 32/6
23/0 Bombay Cotton ..... 20 | 25
— Calico Printers ..... 3/0 | 4/0
14/9 Cammell Laird ..... 13/6 | 14/6
— Cargo Fleet ..... 1/6 | 1/9
60/0 Coats ..... 64/6 | 65/-
— Contanilds ..... 58/9 | 59/-
— Court Line ..... 2½ | 3½
— Crosse and Blackwell ... 40/- | 45/-
— Canarc Ord. ..... 4/6 | 5/0
— De La Rue Def. ..... 53½ | 56½
— Dunlop Rubber ..... 9/0 | 10/0
108¾ Do. Deb. ..... 108½ | 110½
17/0 Dorman Long ..... 15/0 | 16/0
— English Electric ..... 15/0 | 16/0
47/6 Fine Cotton Spinners ... 46 | 48
— Fine Spinners ..... 2/0 | 2/6
19/3 Forestal Land ..... 21/6½ | 23/6 – ⅛
— Do. Pref. ..... 21/- | 23/-
— General Electric Deb..... 103 | 107
440 Guinness ..... 433 | 450
— Do. Pref. ..... 118 | 120
— Harrods ..... 2/0 | 2/6
— Hoyle Deb. ..... 105½ | 106½ – ⅛
— Hudson's Bay Ord. ..... 7½ | 7⅝ – ⅛
— Imperial Tobacco Ord. ... 73½ | 73⅝
— Do. Pref. ..... 23/0 | 23/6
— Do. (15/- paid) ..... 13/0 | 17/6
27/3 Lipton ..... 27/- | 28/-
— Lever (£) ..... 20/4½ | 20/7½
— Do. Pref. ..... 19/9 | 20/1½
— Lever 7 p.c. Pref. ..... 20/3 | 20/6
— Do. 8 p.c. Pref. ..... 19/6 | 19/9
— Linen Thread Ord. ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Liverpool Nitrate ..... 2½ | 3½
— London Nitrate ..... 1/6 | 1/9
— Mackintosh (£) Pref. ... 27/- | 29/0
— Maypole Def. ..... 2/6 | 3/0
— Mond Nickel Pref. ..... 1½ | 1⅝
— Mexican Trams ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Do. Bonds ..... 5½ | 6½
— Do. L. and P. Bonds.... 6 | 7
— Nigel ..... 6/- | 7/-
— Nobel Ord. ..... 1/6 | 1/9
— Do. Pref. ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Do. Def. ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Parent Tyre Pref. ..... 1½ | 1⅝
— Do. Ord. ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Pease and Partners ..... 1½ | 1⅝
— Do. Deb. ..... 225 | 235
— Pekin Syndicate ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Platt Bros. Ord. ..... 43/0 | 45/0
— Rogers Mill Ord. ..... 64 | 66
— Sly Negro Land ..... 1/- | 1/3
23/0 Rolls Royce ..... 21/- | 23/-
23/0 Spanish Nitrate ..... 25/0 | 27/0
— Salt Union ..... 1/- | 1/3
30/0 South Durham Steel ..... 28 | 30
101 San Paulo Tram Deb.... 99 | 102
— Schweppes Preference ... 1/- | 1/3
130 Shawinigan Water Bonds 107 | 112 –1
— Santa Rita Nitrate ..... 1½ | 1⅝
2 Sanitas ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Sclar del Carmen ..... 2½ | 2¾
— Siemens ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Smithfield Arc. Meat ..... 1/- | 1/3
120 Tramways Ord. ..... 110 | 120
— United Cold Storage ..... 1/6 | 1/9
— United Alkali ..... 1/- | 1/3
10/3 Vickers Ord. ..... 10/3 | 11/0
10/3 Vickers Def. ..... 10/3 | 11/0
13/3 Van Den Berghs ..... 13/0 | 13/6
— Do. Pref. ..... 1/- | 1/3
— Weardale C.P.C. ..... 1½ | 1⅝

LONDON MINING MARKET WEAK.

GENERAL DECLINE IN "KAFFIRS."

Generally speaking, conditions in the House were much the same yesterday as on the preceding day, and, except in one or two directions, business was extremely scarce. Kaffirs were quite out of the running, and, as the public here was indifferent, and Paris and the Cape were doing very little, professionals lowered prices practically all round. Some uneasiness exists as to the white labour position on the Rand, and the question of the punishment of the rebels is arousing a good deal of local feeling; but this could hardly be said to be responsible for the dullness, seeing that the Union Government has matters well in hand. Relatively the heaviest fall was in East Rand, which were again pressed for sale, while Central Mining, the Randfonteins, "Johannies," T.C.L., and many others were appreciably lower on balance. Rose Deep managed to add a trifle to the overnight level, but otherwise there were no improvements throughout the list. Rhodesians made a better showing than for some time, with Cam and Motor again well to the front on reiterated opinions that the 12th level will turn out equal in value to the level above. No official news came to hand during business hours, but these shares were in strong demand, and, although considerable profit-taking was indulged in, the fresh demand, which was continued in the street, lifted the quotation to 27s. 6d. London and Rhodesians were harder in sympathy, this company having a large interest in Cams. The report, by the way, is due shortly. "Tanks" and "Zams" were also favourably affected by the statements published as to the progress of the Union Minere and the Buenguella Railway, and both shares strengthened, while Tank Pref. were quoted at 18s. 9d. Diamonds were neglected, and De Beers and Consolidated Diamonds receded fractionally. A further improvement to £180 17s. 6d. per ton in the price of tin occurred, but the share market made no responses. Business was almost at a standstill, and the only quotable change was a small gain in Anglo-Continental. A couple of West Africans strengthened, and in the Australian section one or two of the Westralians were harder. Associated further improving on the publication of the news regarding the Canadian interests. Barriers were left to themselves. Tintos were again strong in the Copper list, and in the Miscellaneous section Esperanza were the centre of interest. Good bidding was induced by latest developments, and a substantial advance was scored. Santa Gertrudis and Camp Bird, however, were easier. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U.			
1/-	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1/3-1½	
18/0	Anglo-French	17/6-18/6	
2/-	Brakpan	2/1.3	–⅛
9/6	Cent. Mining (£5)	9½-9¾	–
2/3	City Deep	2/4-2/5	– ⅛
1/-	Con. Goldfields	1/-	–
17/0	Cons. Langlaagte...	17/3-17/6	
13/0	Cons. Main Reef ...	13/3-13/6	
17/6	Cons. Spec. (10/-)...	13/6-14/0	
3/4	Crown Mines (10/0)	3/4-3/5	– ⅛
11/9	E. Rand Mining ...	12/6-13/0	
10/0	E. Rand Prop....	7/6-9/0	–0/3
7/3	Geduld	7/3-7/6	– ⅛
15/0	Gen. Mining	14/6-14/9	
2/-	Government Areas	1/9-2/0	– ⅛
21/0	Johan'burg Invest.	20/6-21/-	–0/3
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DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

Post Office Rewards Plucky Woman: Opera at Kingstown.
Adelaide Hospital Dance: Pensioners' Long Walk.
Free State Children in Northern Institution.
Tullamore's Poor Houses: Uneconomic Doles.

Miss Margaret Byrne, of the Enniskerry (Co. Wicklow) Sub-Post Office, has received a practical recognition from the postal authorities of her pluck in foiling would-be robbers when the Enniskerry Office was raided on July 25. Miss Byrne flatly refused to give the raiders the keys, and they went away without the cash. She has received a well-merited cheque.

DUBLIN.

KINGSTOWN PAVILION.—To-night, at the Kingstown Pavilion, the Kingstown Operatic Society will give its last performance of "Maritana." During the week the society has performed "The Bohemian Girl," "The Lily of Killarney," and "Maritana" with marked success. The parts are taken by some of the leading amateur singers of the district, and all acquit themselves with distinction.

LATE MRS. HASLAM.—The Committee of the Irish Women Citizens' and Local Government Association has passed a resolution expressing its deep sense of the loss that the Association has sustained by the death of Mrs. Haslam, who founded the Association in 1874, and acted as secretary and then president for many years.

ADELAIDE'S NEEDS.—A dance, organised by the resident medical staff of the Adelaide Hospital, will be held in Scala Ballroom, Sackville street, next Friday. The proceeds will be devoted to purchasing up-to-date scientific equipment for the hospital's operating theatre. Trams will run from the Pillar to the suburbs after the dance.

LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT. —The meetings in connection with this movement, to be addressed by Professor J. Haire, will be held on Monday, at 4.30, at 16 St. Stephen's Green, and at 7.30 in the Presbyterian Church House.

MOLYNEUX ASYLUM. — An attractive and well-attended sale of work was held yesterday at the Molyneux Asylum for the Blind, Leeson Park, Dublin. It was opened by Dr. Gregg, Archbishop of Dublin, who said that the institution was a refuge and a home and, at the same time, a place of industry. The articles for sale were made entirely by the inmates.

CONNAUGHT.

OLD AGE PENSIONERS PENALISED.—Old age pensioners in Cootehall and Ballindoon have to go to Boyle, Co. Roscommon, to draw their money, as the two first-named offices have been robbed recently, and it is not thought advisable to keep much money there. The villages are some six miles from Boyle.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL CLAIM.—The manager of Balmoral Industrial School, Belfast, has written to the Longford County Council complaining that no contribution towards the maintenance of children sent from County Longford had been received from the Parliament of Southern Ireland since January 1 last. Unless the amount due is paid the school cannot retain the children. The Secretary of the County Council said that the Council contributed, but the Southern Parliament did not. The manager was referred to the Southern Parliament for payment.

IRISH MANUAL INSTRUCTOR.—At a recent examination by the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction, Mr. Albert Roy, Massford House, Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny, having satisfied the examiners, obtained the Department's certificate for manual instruction in technical schools. Mr. Roy is on the engineering staff of the Castlecomer Collieries, Ltd., and was for a number of years connected with Messrs. McLaughlin and Harvey, building contractors, Belfast and Dublin.

STOCK - BREEDING ENTERPRISE. — Longford Agricultural Committee has decided to procure fourteen premium bulls of the Hereford, Dairy, Shorthorn and Aberdeen-Angus pedigrees. A sum of £100 was allotted to the thoroughbred and Irish draught horses, and the premium for boars was fixed at £8 for the first year, and £6 for the second.

NON-ESSENTIALS IN HOUSES.—The medical officer has recommended the Tullamore Urban Council to provide proper water supply, sanitary accommodation, drainage, and baths in houses to be erected for working-class people. No provision has been made for these amenities in the case of six houses which the Council are to erect shortly. The chairman said that they would take the matter into consideration when they were providing new houses to replace the 160 in the town already declared insanitary.

WHERE RATES ARE PAID.—It was stated at Tullamore Urban Council meeting that satisfactory progress had been made with the rate collection in the Urban area. Of a total levy of nearly £4,000 for the half-year, only £320 is outstanding, and this is coming in gradually. A sum of £400 had been paid off the arrears since the last monthly meeting of the Council.

CO. LOUTH OUTRAGES.—Two men armed with revolvers visited the goods store at Dunleer (Co. Louth) railway station yesterday, and stole two bicycles belonging to Mr. Roe, solicitor, and Mr. J. Bellew, on which they rode off. Timber and sawmills, the property of Mr. J. H. Clinton, Rokeby Hall, Dunleer, have been maliciously destroyed by fire. Twelve telegraph poles have been cut down on the road between Dunleer and Castlebellingham.

MUNSTER.

PRODUCTIVE WORK.—At a meeting of the Midleton (Co. Cork) Urban District Council, the Chairman (Mr. John O'Brien), in proposing that the Council should make application to the Free State Government for a further grant of £1,000 to complete road repairs in the area, said that in devoting money to such work the Government was getting a return for its expenditure, which would in the ordinary way be given as a dole. Repairs to the streets would effect a saving of £400 annually to the local authority.

Gorey Town Commissioners have passed a resolution tendering sympathy to Sir Thomas H. G. Esmonde and family on the death of Lady Esmonde.

Liberal support was given to a sale of work in the Methodist Hall, Dublin, yesterday in aid of the Bethesda School, 67 Eccles street.

Wholesale price of choicest salted butter has been fixed by the Irish Dairy (Producers and Shippers) Association at £9 for the week ending on Thursday next.

Last night the body of a young woman aged about 22 was recovered from Kingstown Harbour. A brown coat was found on steps leading to the water.

Tullamore Urban Council asked the Great Southern and Western Railway Company for permission to use a plot near the railway station as a dumping ground for road scrapings, but the company declined. The engineer said that he did not know of any other suitable place.

Sixty gallons of "mountain dew" were seized and spilled by police operating in the Tormon area, near Letterkenny. The still apparatus found near was smashed up.

Midleton, Co. Cork, Urban District Council has voted £30 to its Town Surveyor for extra work performed in connection with the relaying of new water mains and the steam-rolling of the principal streets.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

BELFAST SHIPBUILDING.—During the past twelve months Messrs. Workman, Clark, and Co., Ltd., Belfast, launched six new vessels, with a gross tonnage of 51,095 tons. Last year the firm launched nine vessels of 83,636 tons. The decline in output indicates the difficulties through which the shipbuilding industry has passed during the year. The new vessels include two oil tankers of 6,993 tons, the British Workman and the British Engineer. The largest vessels launched are two passenger and cargo steamers, the Diomed and the City of Nagpur, each of which is 10,000 tons. The other two vessels are cargo steamers of 8,308 tons, the Port Campbell and the Port Auckland.

JURORS' GRIEVANCES.—The Belfast Jurors' Association has issued a statement, in which it complains that, now that the Northern Law Courts have been established, Belfast jurors' duties are exceptionally heavy. They state that there are only 6,250 jurors on the list, of whom a great many are women who, through family ties, claim and secure exemption. The Association suggests that the list should be extended, and a more efficient method adopted.

OLDCOURT COMPENSATION AWARD. —In a claim at Newry for £20,000 for the burning of Oldcourt, Strangford, County Down, £18,541 has been awarded. The judge ordered one-third of the amount to be levied on Strangford, Raholt, Ardglass, Dunsford, Quinton, Portaferry, and Ardkeen, and the other two-thirds on Downpatrick. At Belfast yesterday, Mrs. Elizabeth Gibbison was awarded £340 for the loss of her son, William, who was murdered in April while at work in a chemical works in Short Strand.

£9,000 GIFT TO HOSPITAL.—At the annual sale of work on behalf of the Belfast Maternity Hospital, Townsend street, a letter was received from Miss Riddell, intimating her intention of giving £9,000 to the endowment fund of the institution. The gift comes at a very opportune time, as it was stated at the opening of the sale that expenditure in recent years had exceeded the income, and that additional expense had been incurred by the establishment of a pre-natal clinic.

ARMED RAID CHARGE.—Richard Coyle and William Houston, both of Gaffikin street, were committed for trial by the Belfast police magistrate yesterday on a charge of being implicated in a "hold-up." The men, it was alleged, entered the office of Mr. Joseph M'Master, painter, Lisburn road, and asked for work. One of them produced a revolver, and another struck Mrs. M'Master on the head. They were not able to get any money.

Several malicious hay and straw burnings are reported from the Ballindrait district of Co. Tyrone.

From the return of the rate collectors of the Tyrone County Council it is shown that of £79,900, the amount of the second moiety of rates, only £2,500 had been paid at the end of November.

The Commissioner who is administering the affairs of the Strabane Rural Council has intimated that he will bring forward a proposal to increase the rents of labourers' cottages.

Whitepark House and lands at one time the seat of Captain A. G. West and family, Co. Fermanagh, which was sold for £6,500 some two and a half years ago, has now changed hands at £3,050.

Persons in Newtownstewart, Co. Tyrone, who have been fined for not complying with the vaccination laws, and still neglect to have their children vaccinated, are to be prosecuted again.

NEW CHURCH AT FINGLAS.

THE DEDICATION CEREMONY.

The Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Byrne, will to-morrow dedicate with full Pontifical rites the new Church of St. Canice, at Finglas, Co. Dublin. The ceremonies will begin at 11 o'clock, and immediately afterwards High Mass will be celebrated in the Church. His Grace will deliver an address.

The new Church, of which it was one of the last public acts of the late Archbishop Walsh to lay the foundation, occupies a commanding position, affording adequate space for the architect to work out his design. It is Romanesque in style, and the treatment is restrained and tasteful. The building is altogether of County Dublin granite.

The interior (37 x 17 yards) consists of a nave and aisles. It is lofty, spacious, well proportioned, and well lighted. The aisles are separated from the nave by rounded arches, supported on solid, graceful pillars. There are no transepts, but recesses for confessionals, serve the double purpose of affording greater interior space, and of presenting exteriorly a buttress-like appearance, thus giving to the outer walls a semblance of added strength, while leaving the regularity of the outline unbroken.

Three marble altars adorn the eastern extremity. The High Altar is lighted by five stained glass windows. The colouring of the glass is mellow and delicately shaded.

The Church will cost altogether about £20,000, and it is understood that the Rev. Father Smyth, the Parish priest, has already secured the greater portion of the amount. The Church is dedicated to St. Canice, the patron of Kilkenny and Finglas. At to-morrow's ceremony the Artane band will discourse a selection of appropriate music.

SIKI IS WILLING.

The *Auto* states that it is in a position to announce that Battling Siki is ready to accept the challenge which Carpentier issued through the *Journal* yesterday on condition that the match is held in public, and that the receipts are devoted to a public charity.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Saturday, December 9, 1922

MICHAELMAS SITTINGS FOR TRIALS BY JURY.—King's Bench Division. Before the Right Hon. Mr. Justice Samuels, in King's Bench Court 2, at 10.45 o'clock. City Appeals (part heard).—Freeman's Journal v. Corporation of Dublin, Rathmines Co. Council, Rathmines U.D.C., Pembroke U.D.C., apply; Freeman's Journal v. Corporation of Dublin, apply; same v. Corporation of Dublin, Dublin Co. Council, Rathmines, U.D.C., Pembroke U.D.C. The City Jurors. Special and Common, will be required to attend on Monday next, December 11th.

A COMPANY'S LOSSES.

COMPENSATION FOR WILFUL DAMAGE.

Before Mr. Justice Samuels at the King's Inns yesterday, the hearing was resumed of appeals brought by all the parties concerned from a decision of the Recorder in the case of the *Freeman's Journal* v. Corporation of Dublin, Dublin County Council, Rathmines Urban District Council, and the Pembroke Urban District Council in respect of a claim under the Criminal Injuries Act for destruction of property.

Mr. H. D. Conner, K.C. (who replaced Mr. T. M. Healy, K.C.), and Mr. Moloney (instructed by Messrs. Miley and Miley) appeared for the *Freeman's Journal*, Ltd.; Mr. McElligott, K.C., Mr. Lardner, K.C., and Mr. P. O'C. White (instructed by Mr. Ignatius Rice), for the Dublin Corporation; Mr. W. G. Shannon (instructed by Mr. Thomas Early) for the Dublin County Council; and Mr. J. H. Russell (instructed by Messrs. W. J. Shannon and Co.) for the Rathmines Urban District Council.

The original claim was about £150,000, and the Recorder awarded about £45,000.

Mr. J. P. Nannetti, works manager, examined in support of the appeal brought on behalf of the *Freeman's Journal* Company, gave a detailed account of the destruction of printing machines and type, etc. With reference to the linotype machines which had been injured, he stated that eight steel chases were warped and had to be repaired. Four were sent to the Linotype Company to try and get them repaired. They got back one, the actual cost of its repair being £9 10s. The other three were still under repair. There were 249 founts of type destroyed. The cases containing the type were smashed by sledge-hammers. The series were destroyed. No use could be made of the type—it was only scrap metal.

Mr. Conner said that Mr. Ruddock had given the value at £2,865 10s.

Mr. Justice Samuels—Less £125 for scrap.

Mr. Nannetti estimated that the cost of setting up the standing advertisements which had been destroyed would not be less than £105. The American Peace number, which had been almost set up, was entirely destroyed. There were 48 pages, which he valued at £10 each, making £480. He also stated that a rotary tail cutter, and a rotary pick machine had also been sledged and badly damaged.

Mr. Matthew Brophy, overseer in the works department, was also examined.

The further hearing was adjourned till today.

COURT PROCEDURE.

STATEMENT BY MR. JUSTICE DODD.

Mr. Justice Dodd, in the Probate Court yesterday, drew attention to the procedure. A certified order of the Court unsigned by the judge was accepted in any part of the United Kingdom. Foreign jurisdiction, he said, including the Dominions, required a certificate signed by the judge. Further, they required the certificate to contain averments regulated by the legislative enactments of the foreign country. A certificate signed by him as presented by the solicitor applying had been returned to him. He had signed as assigned judge. The State of Delaware declined to accept it unless the judge certified that he was the presiding judge, and that his court was a court of record.

The office rule made by his lordship was as follows:—"Any solicitor applying for a certificate from the judge must draft the certificate in accordance with the requirements of the foreign State."

SALES AND COMMISSIONS.

AUCTIONEERS SUED.

Before Mr. Justice Dodd, without a jury, yesterday, the action brought by Thomas Carey, of Glengar, Doon, County Limerick, against Messrs. Ryan and Ryan, auctioneers, Tipperary, was heard. The plaintiff's claim was for £28 18s., balance of the price of chattels sold by the defendants for, and on behalf of, the plaintiff. The defendants counter-claimed for £55 in respect of commissions alleged to be due to them on previous sales of land for the plaintiff, and for advertising expenses in connection with the sales.

After having heard the evidence of the parties,

Mr. Justice Dodd gave judgment for the plaintiff for £28, with costs and witnesses' expenses, and he dismissed the counter-claim.

Mr. Connolly (instructed by Mr. N. F. Maher), appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. J. P. Kenny (instructed by Mr. J. F. Darcy), appeared for the defendants.

FAMILY LITIGATION.

DUNDALK PROBATE SUIT.

In the Probate Court yesterday, before Mr. Justice Dodd, the probate action brought by the plaintiff in the case of Samuel Parkes v. Michael Parkes, as executor to establish the will of the late Mrs. Annie Parkes, of Peter street, Dundalk, his mother, who died in January last, was heard. By her will the deceased, who was a widow, bequeathed all her property, consisting of four houses in Dundalk, to her son, the plaintiff, charged with legacies of £225 each to the defendant, also her son, and James Parkes, another son, and legacies of £10 each to her two daughters.

The defendant had lodged a Caveat disputing the will on the usual grounds, but there was now no appearance on his behalf, or that of any of the other next of kin.

Mr. J. B. Hamil, solicitor, Dundalk, having given formal evidence of the making of the will, which he had prepared from the instructions of the testatrix,

Mr. Justice Dodd admitted the will to probate in solemn form.

Mr. Martin C. Maguire (instructed by Messrs. Ward and Hamil) appeared for the plaintiff.

A TEST CASE.

SANITARY SUB-OFFICERS AND THE BONUS.

Before Lord Chief Justice Molony yesterday, the action in which John E. Boyd, of Inver avenue, Belfast, sued the Belfast Corporation to recover £115 odd arrears of salary and bonus due, was heard. The plaintiff claimed as sanitary sub-officer in the employment of the Corporation.

Mr. S. L. Brown, K.C., Mr. T. J. Campbell, K.C., and Mr. S. C. Porter (instructed by Mr. N. Tughan) appeared for the plaintiff.

Mr. H. Wilson, K.C., Mr. E. S. Murphy, K.C., and Mr. H. Poole (instructed by Mr. McCormick) appeared for the defendants.

The plaintiff's claim was that prior to the 1st of April, 1920, he was in the employment of the Corporation at a salary of £2 10s. per week, together with emoluments and bonus. At a meeting of the Salaries and Wages Committee of the Corporation on May 20th, 1920, a resolution was passed, under which the salary of the plaintiff was raised to £3 15s. a week. By reason of that resolution the plaintiff claimed to be entitled to the benefit of the Civil Service Award 102, being the bonus scheme of the Civil Service Whitley Council Cost of Living Committee. The defendants refused to pay the plaintiff the bonus which he claimed that he was entitled to under the resolution. The question was what was the meaning of the word "granted" in the meaning of the resolution. The plaintiff submitted that it meant "granted by the Belfast Corporation."

For the Corporation, it was submitted that the sanitary officers did not come within the Clause appertaining to civil servants, and what the Court had to do was to interpret the resolution of May, 1920, which formed the basis of the contract between the Corporation and the sanitary sub-officers.

It was stated that this was a test case, and that the claims of twenty other sanitary officers depend upon it.

The Lord Chief Justice reserved judgment.

JURORS TO BE FINED.

At the Dublin County Commission yesterday Mr. Justice Pim said that he had noticed since the opening of the Commission that the same ladies and gentlemen responded every day and acted as jurors. They were to be commended for their attendance; but he wished to have it known that unless those ladies and gentlemen who had not attended could put forward satisfactory explanations for their absence they would each be fined £5.

A large attendance of city jurors will be required at the Commission in Green street Courthouse at 11 o'clock on Monday.

(PATENTS) MR WM. EWART DOYLE Registered Patent Agent and Registered Patent Attorney, 12 College Green, Dublin. Advice Free. —(Advt.)

NIGHT SHELTER'S NEED.

VALUABLE INSTITUTION IN PERIL.

The existence of one of Dublin's most valued charities is imperilled. Unless the deficit of £1,037 in the accounts of the St. Vincent de Paul Male Night Shelter, Back lane, is wiped out by a charitable public, the Shelter is faced with the necessity of closing its doors to thousands of destitute men. The deficit represents the difference between the £1,622 spent on providing free shelter, a bed, and a meal for 30,361 poor men, and the £645 which is the total of the public contribution. During the last year the Shelter came to the aid of thousands of men from the city and all parts of Ireland. Some idea of the assistance extended to the homeless persons may be gauged from the fact that admissions for the year totalled 30,361, and the free meals supplied numbered 47,607. The stoppage of such a work would be little short of a calamity. If one takes the case of a poor, homeless old man, whose working days have long since been numbered, one can realise what the closing of a Shelter which has afforded him refuge night after night means to him and to thousands of his fellows who are similarly circumstanced. The public will certainly not permit this work of mercy to cease. They are faced with the fact that if the deficit is not made good at once, the Night Shelter must close. The call is an urgent one, and citizens are asked to send a subscription at once to keep the doors of the Shelter open. Moneys will be received by the Very Rev. J. Flanagan, Adm., Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street; or the Hon. Treasurers of the Night Shelter, Back lane, Dublin.

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

St. Patrick's Cathedral.—8, Holy Communion. 11.15, Matins, Litany, Psalms 9., 11. To Deum, Hall in B flat. Jubilate, King in A. Anthem: "When the wicked," Mount. Hymn, 406, "Jesus came, the heavens adoring." Preacher, Rev. S. Ridgeway, M.A., Prebendary of Stagonil. Offerings for Diocesan Bible Society. 3.15, Cant. Dom. Deus Misereatur, Stewart in E flat. Anthems, 149, "The great day of the Lord is near," Martin. Hymn 70, "Hark! the watchman's cry," 2nd, "Day of anger," Mount. Preacher, Rev. S. Ridgeway, M.A., Prebendary of Stagonil. Offerings for Hibernian Bible Society.

St. Christ Church Cathedral.—11, Matins. Psalm 50. To Deum, Benedictus; Lloyd in E flat. Introit, "How beautiful upon the mountains," Stainer. 11.40, Holy Communion. Lord, in E. Preacher, Rev. Canon Jenkinson, M.A. Hymns, 55 (2nd), 220. 3.30, Evensong. Psalms, 53, 54. Magn. and Nunc Dim., Lloyd in E flat. Anthem, "God, Thou art great." Spohr. Hymn 75. Preacher, Rev. Dr. Lawlor, Precentor of St. Patrick's Cathedral. Offertories in aid of the Hibernian Bible Society.

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.—8, Holy Communion. 11.15, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 10, Chapel of Trinity College.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Matins; Rev. J. C. Forrester. 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.50, Morning Prayer and Litany; Mr. Bailey Mission to Lepers. 3.30, Children's Service; Miss Huddleston. 7, the Rector.

Chapel Royal, Dublin Castle.—8, Holy Communion. 10, To Deum, Maunder in B flat. Benedictus, Adlam in E flat. Anthem, "Hark! the glad sound." Farmer. Hymns, 147, "Come, O come, Emmanuel." Preacher, Rev. A. C. Hughes. 7.30, Magnificat, Nunc Dim., Adlam in E flat. Anthem, "Arise, shine, for Thy light is come." Elver. Hymn, "Blest Creator of the light." Baggotrath Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. Canon Morrya. Rev. J. Purser Shortt.

St. Ann's Church, Dawson street.—8, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30, Rev. W. Crosier. 4.30, Rev. J. H. Alcock. 7, Rev. J. W. Crosier.

St. Matthias's Parish Church.—11.30, Holy Communion. 3, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer.

Rathmines Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Rev. H. C. Cave. 11.30, Litany; Rev. H. C. Cave. 3.30, Rev. H. G. Forde. 7, Canon Lewis-Crosby.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. Canon Phair. 7, Rev. W. Bell. 7, Rev. W. Bell.

St. Columba's Church, Rathgar.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. W. Bell. 7, Rev. Canon Phair.

Magdalen Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. J. F. Moncrief Cox. 7, Rev. E. H. Campbell.

St. James's Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. Crawford Irwin. 7, Rev. J. Crawford Irwin.

St. James's District Church.—11.30, Rev. R. Saunderson Griffin. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. Wm. Anderson.

Drumcondra Parish.—12, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Canon F. H. Lewis-Crosby. 4, Rev. W. H. Grierson. 7, Rev. H. Dowell.

North Strand Parish.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. J. R. Donald. 7, Rev. H. C. Cave.

St. Andrew's Church, Suffolk street.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. R. Northridge. 7, Children's Service, 7, Rev. R. Northridge. "Anthem, "Lo, with the Lord—But who may abide" (Handel).

St. Catherine's.—11.30, Rev. Canon Thompson. 7, Rev. R. Kitching.

St. Victor's.—8 and 11.30, Rev. R. Kitching. 7, the Archdeacon of Dublin.

St. Bartholomew's Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11. Matins; Rev. C. Beaufort Moss. 11.30, Sung Eucharist. 3.30, Children's Service; Rev. Evenson; Rev. Walter Simpson. 8, Organ Recital of Advent Music.

St. Mary's Parish Church.—11.30 Morning Prayer and Holy Communion; Rev. J. R. Colthurst. 7, Rev. J. R. Colthurst.

St. Mary's Chapel of Ease.—11.30, Rev. J. O. Gage Dougherty. 3, Rev. J. O. Gage Dougherty. 7, Rev. A. F. Weinberger.

St. Jude's, Kilmashanan.—11.30, Holy Communion. 7, Rev. J. W. Browne.

St. Matthew's, Irishtown.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Children's Service. 7, Parade Service, 17th Co. Boys' Brigade; Rev. John Tobias.

Christ Church, Donnybrook.—11.30 and 7, Rev. H. Jackson.

Inchicore—11, Rev. R. C. Roddie. 7, Rev. W. J. Robinson.

Lucan—11.30, Rev. S. T. Boyd.

Celbridge—3.30, Rev. S. T. Boyd.

Charleville Road—11.30, Rev. W. R. H. Campbell. 3.45, Young People's Service. 7, Rev. E. W. Young.

Brighton Road—11.30, Rev. E. W. Young.

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Mariners' Church, Kingstown.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. F. C. Long. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. C. O. Irwin.

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Christ Church, Kingstown.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Rev. Canon Hall.

Zion Church, Rathgar.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. L. Parkinson Hill. 4, Rev. E. M. Bateman. 7, Holy Communion; Rev. L. Parkinson Hill.

Tullow Parish Church, Carrickmines.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Litany; Rev. W. Ross Browne. 3, Children's Service. 7, Rev. J. Kendall.

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Abbey Church, Rutland square.—11.45 and 7, Dr. J. C. Johnston.

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Ballybough Church.—11.30, Rev. J. Wilson. 7, Rev. J. Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer.

Bethesda Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Rev. H. C. Cave. 11.30, Litany; Rev. H. C. Cave. 3.30, Rev. H. G. Forde. 7, Canon Lewis-Crosby.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. Canon Phair. 7, Rev. W. Bell. 7, Rev. W. Bell.

St. Columba's Church, Rathgar.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. W. Bell. 7, Rev. Canon Phair.

Magdalen Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. J. F. Moncrief Cox. 7, Rev. E. H. Campbell.

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JAMES H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

TUESDAY NEXT, 12TH DECEMBER, AT 110 GRAFTON ST.

MEEANEE, UPPER KIMMAGE ROAD, TERENURE.

CHARMING DETACHED VILLA RESIDENCE, STANDING IN ABOUT 3 ACRES OF GROUND, within a short distance of Terenure tram. The Residence, which is approached by avenue, with pretty Gate Lodge, contains three excellent reception rooms, four bedrooms, bathroom, fixed basin; very large servants' room, kitchen, pantries, scullery, etc. There is a most productive Garden, walled and stocked with fruit trees; greenhouse, vinery, with capacious rain water tank; dairy, coach-house, offices, and man's room; Rathmines water and a never-failing pump. The Land is of first-class quality, and includes a highly important valuable building frontage. Held for ever, subject to rents amounting to £23 per annum. CLEAR POSSESSION TO PURCHASER.

THOS. C. WYLIE and Messrs. HUNTER and BURLAND, Solicitors, 11 Dame street.

70A UPPER LEESON STREET (OPPOSITE TO WATERLOO ROAD).

IMMEDIATE POSSESSION TO PURCHASER. A COMPACT, CHOICELY-SITUATED HOUSE, two storeys over basement, with return building; small lawn in front, garden at rear, small stable, and rear entrance. House contains—On First Floor: three rooms, pantry; on First Landing: one bedroom and bathroom (with hot and cold water and w.c.). Second Floor: two bedrooms. The basement is tiled and contains kitchen, with copper cylinder, and two servants' rooms; electric light. Lease 146 years from 1844. Ground rent £10 per annum. A COMFORTABLE, EASILY-KEPT HOUSE.

S. and E. C. WALKER and SONS, Solicitors, 86 Merrion square.

26 KILLARNEY STREET (NEAR AMIENS STREET).

RECENTLY-BUILT NON-BASEMENT HOUSE, well constructed; no drains under house, air course under ground floor; 2 sittingrooms, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, separate w.c., servant's room; wash-house, with glass roof and boilers; garden at rear, rear entrance; back of house cemented. CLEAR POSSESSION TO PURCHASER. Lease 197 years from 1st November, 1879. Ground rent, £5 per annum.

H. J. McCORMICK, Solicitor, 37 Molesworth street.

FURNITURE SALES.

TRUSTEES' SALE.

SALE TUESDAY NEXT, DEC. 12, AND FOLLOWING DAYS, ANTIQUE AND MODERN FURNITURE, BILLIARD TABLE, AND OUTDOOR EFFECTS.

SALMON POOL HOUSE, ISLAND BRIDGE.

PICTURES: Two large Landscape Paintings, old Italian Painting, with figures; Venetian Scenes, domestic interiors and religious subjects of the French and English Schools, three important Mezzotint Engravings after Constable, by David Lucas (Young Wallonian), and others; a number of Coloured Engravings from the La Touche Collection, large Pictures and modern Engravings, including the Duchess of Devonshire, also a large number of Sporting Coloured Prints.

SILVER AND PLATED WARE: Circular Silver Dish on Stand, Silver Sugar Dredger, Cream Jug, Mustard Pots, Pepper Casters, Mugs, Cups, etc.; the Plated Items include large Plated Lamp, fitted for electric light with shade; Sheffield Plated Salvers, Bottle Frames, Pierced Sugar Basin, Coasters, Plated Coffee Pot, Tea and Coffee Service, Toast Racks, Fish and Fruit Eaters, Salad Servers, Tankards, Biscuit Baskets, Cake Baskets, Entree Dishes, Knives, Forks, Sheffield Plated Sauce Boats, Dish Covers, Kettles and Stands, etc., etc.

BOOKS: Anglo-Saxon Review, Mark Twain's Works (limited editions), Encyclopedia of Sport, Burke's Works, International Library of famous Literature, Encyclopedia Britannica, History of England, and numerous other important works.

FURNITURE and EFFECTS, including: Full-sized Billiard Table, by Burroughes and Watts, with cues, markers, and accessories; valuable Marquetry Inlaid China Cabinet, with Cupboard; Marquetry Half-Round Table, Pair of Painted Semi-circular French Tables, Corner Inlaid China Display Cabinets, Marquetry Bureau with slope front, Chippendale Tables, small Boudoir Grand Pianoforte, by Collard; Settee, Easy Chairs, Fireside Chairs, and Occasional Chairs and Tables; Set of four Empire Stands, Solid Three-part Draught Screens, Pair of Inlaid Mahogany Plant Stands and massive Screen Vases; quantity of Decorative China, including Vases, Groups, and sundry Bric-a-Brac, Pair of large Chinese Vases and Covers, Oriental Plaques, etc.; Overmantels and large Mirrors, Lacquer Boxes, Piano Music Stand, Fender, Tables, Brass Fire Sets and Coal Scuttles, Axminster, Turkey and other Carpets and Rugs, Inlaid and Brass Clocks, Chesterfield Settees, Brass-mounted Empire Writing Table, with Chair to match; Sunderland and Yacht Tables, Half-round Sheraton Card Table, Pair Marquetry Inlaid Chairs, Inlaid and other Tables, and Ormolu Vases, Sheraton Inlaid Bureau, Revolving Bookstand and Book Stationery Cabinet, with cylinder front; Oak Sideboard, with mirror back; Oak Dinner Wagon, Telescope Dining Table, Set of 12 Chairs, upholstered seats and backs in leather; Marble Clock, Fire Sets, large Four-fold Scrap Screen, Marquetry Inlaid Hall Clock, large Chippendale pattern Hall Table, on cabriole legs, claw feet; Persian Rugs, Nelson Mahogany Sideboard, Mahogany Dining Tables, Ebonised and Mahogany Cabinets.

Chippendale pattern Bedroom Suite, with Tallboy Chest Drawers to match; Antique Cheval Mirror, Antique Toilet Glasses, White Enamel Bedroom Suite and extra Wardrobe, Walnut Bedroom Suite, Ash and Walnut Bedroom Suite, large Sheraton Toilet Table, Duchesse Pairs, Mahogany Chest Drawers, Walnut Glass-door Cupboard, Ash Bedroom Suite, Mahogany Dwarf Wardrobe, All-Brass and Brass Mounted Bedsteads, with Spring and Hair Mattresses; Bedding, and large quantity of Linen, and all the usual Furnishings of nine Bedrooms, particulars of which are too numerous to detail; Kitchen Dresser, Cupboards, Tables and Culinary Utensils.

OFFICE EFFECTS including exceptional Writing Desk, with cylinder front; Amberg Filing Cabinets, about 80 Files, Stools, Baskets, etc., etc.

OUTDOOR EFFECTS will include the Plants in several greenhouses; Work Bench, with vice, tools, etc.; Wire Netting, Incubator, Fowl Runs, about nine large Fowl Houses with runs, Forcing Frames, Wheel Barrows, Galvanised Bins, Lawn Mowers, Shelters, Lawn Roller, Dredger, Tiles, etc., etc.

ON VIEW MONDAY NEXT FROM 10 to 5.

SALE MONDAY, 18TH DECEMBER.

26 KILLARNEY STREET.

GOOD, SOUND HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

PARTICULARS IN FUTURE ADVERTISEMENTS.

SALE TUESDAY, 19TH DECEMBER.

MEEANEE, UPPER KIMMAGE ROAD, TERENURE.

FURNITURE AND OUTDOOR EFFECTS.

Pianoforte, in Inlaid Case, by Kirkman; Mahogany Enclosed Sideboard, Set of Economy Tables, three Mahogany Bookcases and Cabinets, Chesterfield Settee, Easy Chairs and Occasional Chairs, Mahogany Cabinet, Overmantels, Copper Coal Hods, Fire Sets, Sewing Machine, Rudder Mirror, Carpets, Rugs, Mats, Gilt French Clock; Sets of Mahogany Chairs, Screens, Wicker Chairs, number of Books including National Library of Famous Literature, Oak Hall Table, etc., etc.; Ash and Walnut Wardrobe, Toilet Tables, Bedsteads, Washstands, Bedroom Chest of Drawers, Duchess, Wardrobe, Washstands, Mahogany Wardrobe, Mahogany Toilet Tables, Toilet Glasses, Towel Rails, Toilet Ware, and usual Bedroom Furnishings; Mangle, Kitchen Tables, Presses, and Culinary Utensils; Bradford Churn and Dairy Utensils, Meat Safe, Galvanised Barrels, Garden Seat, Ladders, Fowl Houses and Runs, Forcing Frames, Plants and Flower Pots, including Orange Trees; Planet Junior Cultivator, Rollers, Barrows, Bee Hives, Netting, Garden Tools and Implements; quantity of Hay, etc.; also will be included two Iron Safes and Stands.

ON VIEW DAY PREVIOUS FROM 10 TO 4.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO., AUCTIONEERS, 110 GRAFTON STREET.

COUNTIES OF KILDARE AND MEATH.

TOWN OF KILCULLEN AND VILLAGE OF CLONEE.

HARVEY LEWIS ESTATE.

MESSRS. JAMES H. NORTH AND COMPANY

Have received instructions from the Trustees of the Will of the late MRS. JANE ISABELLA LEWIS TO

SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, AT AN EARLY DATE,

IN SEPARATE LOTS,

THE SEVERAL HOLDINGS ON THE ABOVE ESTATE,

IN OR ADJOINING THE

TOWN OF KILCULLEN, IN THE COUNTY OF KILDARE, AND VILLAGE OF CLONEE, COUNTY MEATH.

The Rental and Conditions of Sale are in hands, and a further announcement will shortly be made, fixing the date of the Sale and giving all necessary information.

BARRINGTON & SON, SOLICITORS HAVING CARRIAGE OF THE SALE, 10 ELY PLACE, DUBLIN.

ON VIEW THIS DAY (SATURDAY)—FURNITURE, PIANOS, &c.

SALE NEXT MONDAY, 11TH DECEMBER, AT 1 O'C. PRECISELY,

IN THE DIVISIONAL AUCTION ROOMS, 8 MERCHANT'S QUAY,

SALE BY AUCTION OF FURNITURE, PIANOS, CARPETS, &c.,

comprising—Full Compass Cottage Piano, in inlaid rosewood frame (by John Broadwood and Sons), Full Compass Cottage Piano by Ralph Allison; ditto, ditto, by Archibald Ramsden; 2 Carved Walnut Bedroom Oil cloths, with mirror-door wardrobes; Carved Ash ditto, 6ft. Early English Pattern Sideboard, with lofty Suites, mirror back (cedar lined); Mahogany Bookcase and Cabinet, Carved Walnut Dravingroom Suite, in Tapestry; Mahogany Dining Table, two Chippendale and Sheraton Grandfather Clocks, Mahogany Dining-room Chairs, in leather; Overmantels, Pair 3ft. 6in. Brass-mounted Twin Bedsteads, with Curled Hair PROVISION Wire Mattresses; Deal Tables and Presses, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, China, Glass, Cutlery, Engravings, Carpets, Rugs, etc.

BIRMINGHAM.—The above Property will be on View THIS DAY at the Auction Rooms, from 11 to 4. Calithorpes bottles Monday, from 10 until hour of Sale, 1 o'clock, precisely. Terms Cash and 5 p.c. Auction Fees. Rovers firmer. Sale on account repos

MAS GARLAND, AUCTIONEER & MERCHANT'S QUAY. 5/5; Components Hambers, 21/3; Rovers, 20/3; Triumphs, 32/-; Parent Deferred, 13/-; MANCHESTER: Bleach

IES, DIAMONDS, JEWELLERY, SILVER, PLATED WARE, &c. T WEDNESDAY EVENING, AT THE HOUR OF 5.30, DIVISIONAL AUCTION ROOMS, 8 MERCHANT'S QUAY, LY IMPORTANT AND ATTRACTIVE SALE BY AUCTION FROM

KELLY'S GREAT CENTRAL MONEY OFFICE, 48 FLEET STREET,

COMPRISING:

GOLD WATCHES.

Gent.'s Hunting Keyless English Lever, by Doane and Co.; Demi-Hunting English Lever by Thompson and Vine; Open-face Lever by Rotheram; Pendant Watch in Platinum and Enamel; Gold Wrist Watches in Platinum, Enamel, and Diamonds; Gold Wrist Watches, with expanding bracelets; also Silver Levers and Fillet Cased Watches by makers of note.

DIAMONDS AND JEWELLERY,

including—Half-dozen Ladies' and Gent.'s Single-stone Rings of superb quality; 3 smaller do.; 6 Lustrous Half-hoop Diamond Rings, Marquise and Cluster Diamond and other Gem Set Rings, Diamond and Diamond and Moss Agate Crescent Brooches; 18 Carat Guard and Albert Chains; Basket and Curb Bracelets, Pearl Brooches, Necklets and Pendants, Signet and Band Rings.

500 OZS. ANTIQUE AND MODERN SILVER,

Pair of 11-inch Pillar Candlesticks (London, 1767). Sweetmeat Basket (London, 1766), Tea Pattern (Joseph Gibson Cork 1880); Tripod Salts, Old Irish Bright-cut and Engraved Bowl and Ewer; Pair of Two-handled Cups (Mathew West), Tripod Sauce Boat (William Shaw, 1761), Set of four Gilt Cups and Covers; Tea, Table, and Dessert Spoons and Forks (mostly of Irish manufacture); Enamelled and Engraved Cigarette Case, Ladies', etc.

PLATED WARE AND MISCELLANEOUS,

3 Revolving-top Tureens; Baskets, Teapots, Water Jugs, O.S. Tankard, Coasters, Entree Dishes, Butter Dishes, Case of Fish Eaters, Guitar, Mandoline; 4 Old Miniatures, Oak-frame Clock, Lady's Fur Coat, etc.

NOTE—The above Property will be on View at AUCTION ROOMS on NEXT WEDNESDAY, from 11 to 5. Sale 5.30 sharp WEDNESDAY EVENING.

THOMAS GARLAND, AUCTIONEER & MERCHANT'S QUAY.

"ASHFIELD," BALLYCROCHAN, CO. DOWN

(2 miles from Bangor, 4 from Newtownards, 3 mile from Groomsport road station).

HIGHLY VALUABLE FARM OF LAND

FOR SALE BY AUCTION.

I AM instructed by Mr. William Strain to SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at CENTRAL HALL, NEWTOWNARDS, on TUESDAY, 13th DECEMBER, 1922, at 12 o'clock noon.

ALL THAT HIGHLY VALUABLE FARM OF LAND in BALLYCROCHAN, containing 112 Acres, or thereabouts, Statute measure, bought out and held in Fee-simple under Land Commission, at half-yearly rent of £260 6/6. There is a well-appointed Villa Residence, in excellent decorative and structural repair, containing 3 reception, 6 bedrooms, bath, kitchen, etc. The Office-houses are well arranged and slated, comprising Byre for 20 cows, stabling for 5 horses, loose-boxes, calf sheds, coach-house, barn, harness room, boiler and feeding houses, etc. Also horse wheel for spray and chaffer. There are two labourers' Cottages on the holding. The Land is of excellent quality, in a high state of cultivation, well fenced, watered, and drained, mostly in pasture, and a greater part of portion under tillage is already ploughed.

The Auctioneer invites the attention of those desirous of acquiring a good Farm to the above, as it is centrally situated easy of access, and interested by county road, and well adapted for dairying purposes.

Private offers will be considered up to 8th DECEMBER. Terms—£20 per cent. deposit at Sale, with Commission. For Title, apply

DENZILLE COYNE, Solicitor, Mayfair, Arthur-square, Belfast.

HENRY MONTGOMERY, KNOCKROR, CLARMORRIS.

Auctioneer, BANGOR, BELFAST, and NEWTOWNARDS.

OFFALY.

S. L. KERR ESTATE

LETTING OF GRAZING LANDS, SEASON 1923.

WE are favoured with instructions from Captain R. S. Rait Kerr, to LET BY AUCTION, at RATHMOYLE, EDENDERRY, on TUESDAY, 12th DECEMBER, 1922, the following Divisions of First-Class Feeding Land, heavily stocked with winter keep.

BATHMOYLE.	A.	R.	P.
The Rannis Division	248	2r.	24p.
	A.	R.	P.
Hall Field	19	3	26
Barrock Field	14	2	32
Ram Park	5	0	28
Furry Fields	18	2	30
Forty Acres	18	1	30
Milly Moors	16	0	12
Lower Forty Acres	20	1	6
Fear Bog	17	1	16
Old House Well	17	2	27
Paddocks	3	2	29
RATHCRICAN AND BALLYBRITAIN.			
Front of Herd's Division	86	3	34
Stick Field	87	0	37
Ballyheashill Upper	79	3	38
Ballyheashill Lower	63	0	1

The Lands will be Let from 1st January, 1923, to 1st December, 1923. A deposit of 10/- per acre to be paid day of Letting, the remainder by two equal payments 1st June and 1st September.

Competent herds will take charge of Stock. Owner will not be accountable for losses or accidents.

Letting will take place at RATHMOYLE, at 1 o'clock.

T. F. O'TOOLE & SONS, AUCTIONEERS, TULLAMORE.

Established 1815. 'Phones 48 and 49.

BATTERSBY & CO.'S SALES.

THURSDAY NEXT, DECEMBER 14TH,

AT OUR SALEROOMS, No. 39 WESTMORELAND STREET, AT 1.30 O'C.

(UNLESS PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF BY PRIVATE TREATY).

B. & Co. 2 FLORENCE TCE., LEESON PARK AVE., DEC. 14TH.

APPIAN WAY, MODERN NON-BASEMENT. POSSESSION.

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Comprising—Oak Hall Stand, two Carved do. Tables, Jacobean Sideboard, six Oak Chairs, Chesterfield covered in sateen; Mahogany Bureau, ditto Writing Table, ditto Dining Table, Revolving Bookcase, Easy Chairs, Sofa, in cretonne; Couches, Mahogany-framed Overmantel, Walnut Stand, Kashmir Chest, Axminster and Turkey Carpets, Skin Rugs, Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Bedroom Furniture, in mahogany and walnut; Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, and other Miscellaneous Effects.

ON VIEW THE MORNING OF THE SALE. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

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TO SELL BY AUCTION, AT THE PRIVATE SECRETARY'S LODGE, PHŒNIX PARK,

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ON VIEW MORNING OF SALE FROM 10 O'CLOCK

FURNITURE AUCTION, FRIDAY NEXT, 15TH DECEMBER.

DALKEY HOUSE, DALKEY.

HAVING SOLD THE HOUSE, we are instructed to SELL THE FURNITURE, including:—Walnut Mirror-back Cabinet Sideboard, Mahogany Dining Table with screw-expanding frame; Carved Oak Enclosed Bookcase, Set of 6 Walnut-frame Dining Chairs and 2 Arm Chairs; Mahogany and Oak Side, Console, and Occasional Tables; Mahogany Show Case; Walnut and Gilded Frame Overmantels, Davenport, Chesterfield, in tapestry; Divan, Arm, and Occasional Chairs; new Indian Carpet, 13.6 x 16.6; Axminster and Wilton Carpets, two Sets of Axminster Stair Carpet; Brass and Iron Beds, Spring and Hair Mattresses, Stretcher Bed, Walnut, Carved Mahogany, and Satin Walnut Bedroom Suites; Mahogany, Walnut, and Birch Chests of Drawers, Bedroom Ware, Mahogany-frame Cheval, Enclosed Mahogany Wash Stand, Mahogany Hall Table, Hall Stand, Wall Clock, Lace, Tapestry, and Plush Curtains; Brass and other Coal Vases, Fenders, and Curbs; Silver Spoons and Forks, Plated do., Sheffield Hot Water Dishes, Plated Kettle and Heater, Cake Basket, Salver, Two-handle Tray, Decanter Cruet; Oil Paintings and Engravings, Girandole, Perfection Oil Cooker and Oven, Painted Presses, 2 Mangles, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, Long Dinner Service, Table Glass and China; Wheel Barrow, Lawn Mower, Garden Tools, Garden Vases, Greenhouse Plants, Sectional Fowl House, 20 Young Fowl, etc., etc.

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ON VIEW MONDAY NEXT,

SALE TUESDAY NEXT, 12TH DECEMBER, 1922.

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